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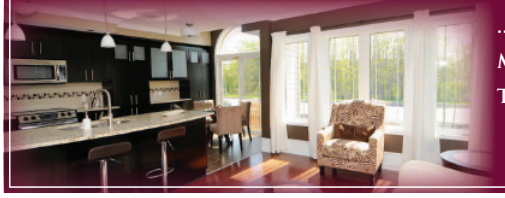

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Spezza in no rush to leave the Senators

HOCKEY Senators forward Jason Spezza has dismissed speculation he wants to leave the NHL team, telling reporters Thursday he's happy in Ottawa.

Rumours of the 26-year-old's discontent have swirled around Ottawa since the Pittsburgh Penguins knocked the Senators from the first round of the playoffs in April. Spezza, who drew fire from fans for his performance in the post-season, has a no-trade clause that kicks in July 1.

"I don't have a no-trade now, so if they trade you, then you get traded," Spezza said. "Obviously, I've signed there, so I'm happy to be there. And we're looking forward to the future." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Prime Minister Stephen Harper, left, listens to British Prime Minister David Cameron Thursday during a joint news conference in the gardens at 10 Downing Street in London, England. Harper used the occasion to dredge up the failed attempt at a coalition government by Canada's opposition parties in 2008. Story, page 7.

Murder suspect appears in court

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DELAY The man accused of killing a 64-year-old woman and taking over her apartment will remain in custody until his next appearance June 14.

Camille Cleroux, 56, appeared briefly in an Ottawa courtroom Thursday afternoon, only to learn that his case would be delayed 11 days while he obtained a lawyer.

Cleroux, a short, thin white man with sparse short white hair and a matching scruffy goatee, wore a black Harley-Davidson T-shirt and a white windbreaker with Yamaha written on the back that had darkened with age. He was also wearing dark brown cargo shorts and black socks.

He scanned the courtroom as he entered and announced his name with a French accent to the judge, and said, "yes, thanks" when she informed him his next court appearance would be by video June 14 at 1:30 p.m.

Cleroux is charged with first-degree murder. The charge comes after human remains, believed to be the body of Paula Leclair, were found in a wooded area south of her building on Fairlea Crescent Wednesday.

Leclair was reported missing last Saturday by her son, who had discovered an unknown man living in her apartment.

The death is Ottawa's sixth homicide of the year.

$35B set aside for new ships

Two companies will get bulk of work on navy, coast guard vessels

Canada's five big shipyards will slug it out over the next two years to become the preferred builders of a new fleet of combat and civilian ships, federal ministers said Thursday.

Only two yards will construct the estimated 28 big ships the federal government wants to acquire over the next three decades. The remaining companies will then bid on small vessel contracts, as well as repair and refit jobs.

The plan is the centrepiece of the federal government's shipbuilding strategy, with an estimated $35 billion in navy and coast guard vessel purchases.

To become a preferred "strategic" builder, companies must promise millions of dollars in infrastructure investment as well as job commitments.

"The five shipyards that are going to compete for these two opportunities for long-term contracts with the government of Canada will have to put some skin in the game and show us how they're going to create jobs and invest in the maritime sector," Public Works Minister Rona Ambrose said.

"The competitive process begins today."

Critics warned the strategy could pit both coasts against one another and could also be costly for industry as the notoriously cut-throat companies climb over each other for one of the coveted spots.

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Reaction

- The Liberals dismissed the plan, saying the Conservatives had "dragged out several projects, cancelled most of the others and delayed the re-announcement of plans to build (the navy's) Joint Support Ships."

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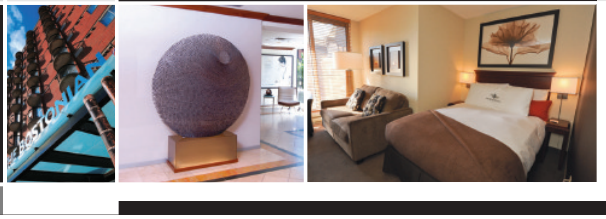

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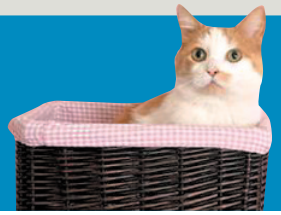

New pet and movie passes: PURRfect

Roll out the red carpets and get the flashbulbs ready — June is PURR-mière month at the Ottawa Humane Society. Anyone who adopts a dog or cat like six-year-old Bailey, left, from the OHS this month will be entered in a draw for six free movie passes for two, complete with vouchers for popcorn and drinks, and a dog or cat-themed swag basket. For more info, visit ottawahumane.ca. METRO OTTAWA

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Brain tumour group holding sprint

SATURDAY A fundraiser will be held for a "unique" type of cancer Saturday.

The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's Spring Sprint will be held at Andrew Haydon Park at 9 a.m. Saturday.

"Brain tumours and brain cancers are pretty unique compared to different types of cancers," said community relations officer Paul Mitchell. "There are over 20 different types of brain tumours, and even within the same patient, there can be different types of cancer cells," he said. "It's a complicated type of cancer to treat."

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Rollout begins for Pay and Display

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Drivers' days of digging to find change for parking meters are numbered.

The city unveiled the first of 600 new Pay and Display machines that will replace 4,000 decades-old parking meters across the city over the next few months.

"Any place where we have a single–space parking meter now will be replaced by a Pay and Display machine," said Doug Robertson, the city's manager of parking operations, maintenance and development Thursday.

Pay and Display accepts credit cards, cash and later, the city's new smart cards. Drivers will eventually be able to pay by mobile device.

"This will provide people with a convenient way to pay and will mean that people will no longer need the right change to feed the meters," said Coun. Maria McRae, chair of the city's transportation committee.

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Coun. Diane Holmes, second from left, applauds as Mayor Larry O'Brien, left, Coun. Maria McRae, chair of the city's transportation committee, right, and Coun. Clive Doucet look on during the city's unveiling of its first Pay and Display machines on Preston Street Thursday.

The receipts are also portable, said Lori Mellor, executive director of the Preston Street BIA.

"If you come to Preston Street, have lunch and have a half an hour left on your receipt, you can use that anywhere in the city of Ottawa once the Pay and Display has been rolled out all through," she said.

For the city, the system offers financial reporting and real-time monitoring of the machines, which improves reliability, McRae said. Using solar power and eliminating the need for underground cables or batteries, the new technology is far more environmentally sustainable than meters, added Mayor Larry O'Brien.

Each unit, on average, will replace six to eight parking meters.

"As we looked at how we were going to redevelop this street and reclaim more public space for other uses, getting rid of those parking meters was a really good place to start," said Mellor. "It gives more space for people, benches and bike racks, and also cleans up the visual clutter in the street."

And, Mellor added, "if we can retrain our patrons to park a little closer together, we can get 10 to 15 per cent more cars in the same (area)."

Walk can't compare to 'cancer journey': Official

WEEKEND It's a 60-kilometre walk through heat and sometimes rain, but it pales in comparison to the journey that people diagnosed with cancer go through.

The hundreds of people, including survivors and their families, that will do the two-day 60-kilometre walk or one-day 30-km walk in the Weekend to End Women's Cancers "have the attitude that it doesn't matter if it's hot or their feet hurt," said Linda Eagen, president and CEO of the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation. "It's so minute compared to what people go through during the cancer journey."

The event, taking place Saturday and Sunday, is "a very important event for everyone in the community affected by cancer," said Eagen.

The event, which has brought in $2 million in past years, supports cancer research, reduces wait times and improves the quality of life for victims of breast and gynecologic (including ovarian, cervical, uterine, endometrial and vaginal) cancers in eastern Ontario.

Women's cancers

- This is the first year the event is raising funds for all women's cancers. Previously, the event was called the Weekend to End Breast Cancer.

Money also goes towards helping people in smaller neighbouring communities get treatment closer to home and looks at initiatives to help people live with cancer.

"It has a phenomenal impact on the community," said Eagen.

One in seven Canadian women will be diagnosed with a breast or gynecologic cancer in her lifetime, Eagen said.

"It's an unforgettable event," said Eagen. "Knowing that you're going to make such a difference is beyond words."

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News in brief

ASSAULT Police charged a city man Thursday after a man was struck on the head with a hammer on an OC Transpo bus. At approximately 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, two male passengers were involved in a verbal dispute on a bus moving west along the Ottawa River Parkway, police said. Police said the altercation turned violent when one male struck the other in the head with a hammer. The victim was taken to hospital. Jacob Young-Pine, 18, was charged with assault causing bodily harm and assault with a weapon. METRO OTTAWA

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Salamander Shakespeare Co.'s Anna Lewis, left, and William Somers run through a scene from Romeo and Juliet, playing at the National Arts Centre and the Underpass.

While summer means a slowdown for many theatre companies, one new group is just revving up.

The Downtown Rideau Summer Fling: A Theatrical Affair, which runs from July 14 to Aug. 28, features nine plays in six venues, including the Arts Court, National Arts Centre, Ottawa Little Theatre, and an outdoor venue, the Underpass, on Rideau Street at Colonel By Drive.

Educating Rita, a comedy by Willy Russell, kicks off the season at the Arts Court from July 14 to Aug. 1.

Other productions include Ottawa Little Theatre's production of Agatha Christie's Murder on the Nile from July 20-31; Salamander Shakespeare Co.'s Romeo and Juliet on July 27-30 at the NAC and at the Underpass on Aug. 7 and Ottawa Little Theatre's Tuesdays with Morrie from Aug. 4-7.

At the Arts Court Theatre, the musical cabaret Satin Dolls runs from Aug. 6-7; My Summer Crush Improv from July 20-27 and on Aug. 3, 24 and 28; Inseparable from Aug. 10-22 and Swimming in the Shallows from Aug. 12-22.

"The series is another cultural product that is unique to our district," said Peggy DuCharme, executive director of the Downtown Rideau BIA. "Summer seems to be the off-season for most theatre. This is created for the summer season to fill a gap.

"We think it's going to be great."

News in brief

ELECTION Eli El-Chantiry is seeking re-election in West Carleton-March. El-Chantiry, who chairs the Ottawa Police Services Board, has represented that area since 2003. Meanwhile, Robert Larter's ward hopping continues. Larter is now registered in Innes Ward. He has previously registered to run for mayor and for council in five other wards. METRO OTTAWA

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Officials will be putting the first shovels in the ground in Kanata Friday to begin construction on Ottawa's first silver level LEED (Leadership Energy-Efficient Design) certified fire station. METRO OTTAWA

Get off the couch with the Forces

FITNESS Around 3,500 Canadian Forces members and civilian staff will be participating in the fourth annual Walk/Run in Red this Friday as part of Canadian Forces Day celebrations.

The event reinforces the Canadian Forces' health and fitness strategy of promoting a healthy lifestyle that includes physical fitness and provides the public with an opportunity to show their appreciation for the contributions that military personnel make to society, both at home and abroad. TIM WIECLAWSKI/ METRO OTTAWA

Dance festival focuses on diversity

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While most everyone understands that there are different types of film and theatre, comparatively few extend that belief to dance.

With the Canada Dance Festival kicking off Friday, artistic director Brian Webb wants people to look at dance differently.

"I want people to understand the huge variety of how each of us can express ourselves in our own individual way," said Webb. "Canadian artists are as diverse as our population."

The festival, which began in 1987 and is held every other year, is one of the largest dance festivals in the world.

While dancers are coming from as far as the United States and Europe, the festival aims to show the face of Canada through dance, said Webb.

Canadian dance is growing, he said, partly in thanks to young artists from culturally diverse communities.

The goal of the festival, said Webb, "is to present the very best in Canadian contemporary dance.

"Contemporary dance is one of Canada's largest cultural exports," he said.

The festival lineup is eclectic and includes everything from ballet to contemporary dance to break dancing. Running from June 4 to 12, the festival, which is held at venues including the National Arts Centre, the Arts Court, the University of Ottawa and the Shenkman Arts Centre, includes ballets by Guillaume Cote ("someone who likes Classical ballet will know his name," Webb said) and Peter Quanz, and also features returning artists Wen Wei Dance and the Beijing Modern Dance Company and dance legends Louise Lecavalier and Benoit Lachambre.

"I try to pick dance that makes me look at the medium a little differently," said Webb, "Dance that makes me feel alive.

"It's always about the adventure of the new."

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Vancouver-based contemporary dance creators The Response perform at the NAC Studio on June 11.

Roaming black bear puts kids in danger
Police in Yellowknife have been forced to shoot and kill a black bear that had been roaming through a residential neighbourhood as children walked to school. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Help the world, China told

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty, left, is urging China to play a pivotal role in keeping the global economic recovery going. In a speech Thursday in Beijing, Flaherty said the fast-growing Chinese economy helped prop up trade around the world during the 2008-09 recession.
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Montreal **Compassion takes a holiday as police move in**

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Police officers stand outside a cannabis club — better known as a compassion club — in the Montreal suburb of Lachine on Thursday following raids across Montreal and Quebec city. The clubs distribute marijuana to people suffering from various medical conditions. Police launched a major anti-pot dragnet and arrested 35 people, including the founder of the federal Marijuana party. The arrests come at a heated time in the debate over marijuana, which has been allowed in Canada for medical use for nearly a decade and came close to being decriminalized in Parliament seven years ago.

PM berates the 'losers'

Coalition good for Britain, but not Canada, he says

"Losers" don't form governments.

That's how Prime Minister Stephen Harper dismissed thoughts of a coalition governing Canada as it now does in Britain.

"Winners are the ones who form government," said Harper at 10 Downing Street where he visited new British Prime Minister David Cameron.

Harper is still smarting from the failed attempt by the Liberals and New Democrats with support by the Bloc Québécois to form a coalition in 2008.

At the time, Harper suggested the move was treason and escaped by asking the Governor General to let him suspend Parliament.

Tory Cameron was asked to form a government by the Queen and formed a coalition with Liberal Democrats led by Nick Clegg, who is now deputy prime minister.

Harper was asked if he was still against coalitions now Britain has one.

"The coalition in Britain was formed by the party that won the election ... and this coalition in Britain, I would note, doesn't contain a party dedicated to the breakup of the country." THE CANADIAN PRESS

"Winners are the ones who form government."
Stephen Harper

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MacLean cuts off Cherry for river rescue

PHILADELPHIA Hockey Night In Canada host Ron MacLean was part of a river rescue Thursday.

MacLean was having lunch by the Delaware River in Philadelphia with Don Cherry when a woman shouted "Help, someone's in the water."

MacLean, who was taking a break from filming for one of Cherry's videos, went down to the river.

Another man jumped into the water and pulled the man over onto a raft.

MacLean said: "When I finally get back to Don, he said, 'Well that's just great, I was telling a great story about Dave Bolland and you go running off.'"
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News in brief

LOTTERY The Atlantic Lottery Corp. says: "Live your dreams to the MAX." Someone near St. John's, NL, missed that chance when they forfeited a Lotto Max ticket worth $30 million.

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Five die in fiery head-on collision near Saskatoon

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Clement takes to Twitter to defend his copyright bill

TECHNOLOGY The uproar over digital locks on movies, music and games saw Canada's industry minister take to Twitter Thursday in defence of his proposed legislation.

The legislation, tabled Wednesday, allows companies to seek damages between $100 and $5,000 from people who break digital locks to copy material like video games, films and music.

The critics fired their concerns at Industry Minister Tony Clement on Twitter and the minister responded, even to some harsh criticism.

"Sold Canadians out to big U.S. lobby. I hope you enjoy seeing millions of Cans (Canadians) fined," read one tweet, which Clement labelled "the bad." Some applauded the minister for his openness.

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Together to the end

Married almost 70 years, Calgary couple found dead

A Calgary couple married almost seven decades stayed side by side until the very end, their bodies found just metres apart along an isolated, bush-country road not far from where their car seems to have run out of gas.

Grandson James Graham said the family is struggling with losing Allen and Margaret Berrington on the remote Alberta pathway, but can take comfort in the fact the two died as closely as they had lived.

"I have never known them to have words with each other, much less any fights. They were as unified as any two people I've ever known," he said after an emotional gathering with dozens of family members Thursday.

"They were discovered together and we take great comfort in the fact they were together at the end."

RCMP say the couple's silver Chrysler Sebring was found by two dirt bike riders Wednesday night about 100 kilometres northwest of the city.

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Allen and Margaret Berrington in a 1943 family photo.

The gas tank was empty. The pair, both in their 90s, was found three kilometres south of the car, after apparently trying to walk out of the bush, RCMP Sgt. Patrick Webb said.

"That area is very isolated and very difficult to get into," said Webb. "It would have been difficult to get that vehicle even into that area."

He said police don't suspect foul play. Why the couple ended up in the middle of the bush, however, remains a mystery.

"We've got nothing to say exactly why they were there. That will be part of the investigation," Webb said.

"But at this time we have no reason to believe that they were there for any particular purpose. More likely just confusion or getting lost."

> **"I have never known them to have words with each other, much less any fights."**
> James Graham, grandson

The pair was reported missing by family members Monday, four days after a get-together at their southwest home for Margaret's 91st birthday.

When family members went to check on the couple, food was still sitting out uncovered and the dishes were undone.

They initially suspected the couple, prone to routine, had gone to a casino on the Tsuu T'ina Nation on the city's southern outskirts for a birthday buffet dinner.

But a helicopter search conducted in the area turned up nothing and the pair did not appear on casino security video.

Graham said family members still think the couple might have been headed for the casino and missed the turnoff. The next major road would have taken them north and, confused and turned around, they could have ended up lost on a series of smaller roads.

Webb said the couple waited for an undetermined length of time in the car before heading for help. Their bodies were found within 10 metres of each other.

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Solie Canadian winner of Griffin poetry prize

LITERATURE Saskatchewan native Karen Solie has been named the Canadian winner of the lucrative Griffin Poetry Prize.

Solie's Pigeon took the $65,000 honour Thursday night at a Toronto gala that featured a speech from English poet and playwright Glyn Maxwell.

Irish poet Eilean Ni Chuilleanain won the international prize, also worth $65,000, for The Sun-fish.

Each finalist also receives $10,000 for participating in Wednesday evening's Griffin readings.

This is the 10th year for the award, which honours one Canadian and one international poet.

Toronto businessman Scott Griffin created the award along with trustees including writers Margaret Atwood and Michael Ondaatje.

The Griffin is a more casual affair than the black-tie Scotiabank Giller Prize, which honours the best novel or short story collection of the year.

Those in attendance at this year's Griffin dinner included Atwood.

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The man known as Mr. Hockey has a new title — Dr. Hockey. National Hockey League legend Gordie Howe, 82, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree Thursday from the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Donald Grecco, a former priest from the diocese of St. Catharines, Ont., runs from a Hamilton court house after his sentencing hearing Thursday. He pleaded guilty to sexually molesting three former altar boys in the '70s and '80s.

Abuse victim goes public, berates ex-priest

Mike Blum shook uncontrollably in the witness box, the childhood victim of an older man who sat stone-faced half a courtroom away. A man who in his prime was a priest with the diocese of St. Catharines, Ont., — and had a penchant for sexually assaulting altar boys.

Until Thursday, when a publication ban on his identity and that of another victim was lifted at their request, Blum, 46, had been one of three nameless former altar boys whom Donald Grecco, 70, molested in the 1970s and '80s. Blum's shaking — he often has trouble holding a coffee — started after he came forward with his allegations. He cannot work and has tried to kill himself.

Reading out his victim impact statement, Blum held up a picture of himself as a teenaged boy.

"I want you to remember and look at that child," he said, looking Grecco in the eye.

"The child whose life you destroyed. The child you preyed on and who had a life of hopes and dreams waiting for him to fulfill. The child who had the right to live a life and grow to a man without the pain you inflicted..."

"I want you to remember and look at that child ... the child who had the right to live a life and grow to a man without the pain you inflicted."
Mike Blum, victim

Grecco, looking tanned and dressed in a dark suit, showed no emotion throughout the sentencing hearing, which included victim impact statements from his two other victims and their close family members.

The victims were given copies of a hand-written apology from Grecco, which was not read out in court.

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News in brief

QUEEN'S PARK Don't come to work, but if you do, please stay back from the windows to avoid inciting G20 summit protesters. That's the message for the 400 employees at the Ontario legislature in Toronto, political staff who work in the building known as the "Pink Palace" for the colour of its stone. It's the first time in recent memory there's been a planned shutdown of the seat of Parliament because of potential problems.

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Info watchdog to crack whip on bureaucrats

GOVERNMENT Canada's information watchdog is vowing to crack down on foot-dragging bureaucrats in a bid to address the delays plaguing the access to information system.

Federal departments and institutions that demand time extensions in their handling of individual access requests will soon have to tell Suzanne Legault the reason why.

She's hoping that's enough to force some bureaucrats to think twice before demanding extensions of 60 days, 90 days and even longer on access requests.

"We're going to start monitoring them," Legault said. "I think to demand the justifications upfront ... will bring discipline into the process as to why the extension is being claimed. That's the goal."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper named Legault, a 45-year-old lawyer who once served as a Crown prosecutor, to the post of Information Commissioner Thursday.

But she's been doing the job on an interim basis for the last year, giving a taste of how she will serve as information watchdog, a job that involves probing complaints about access requests and mediating disagreements between departments and Canadians asking for government records.

What's clear is she favours nudging and education in a bid to get departments to be more responsive.

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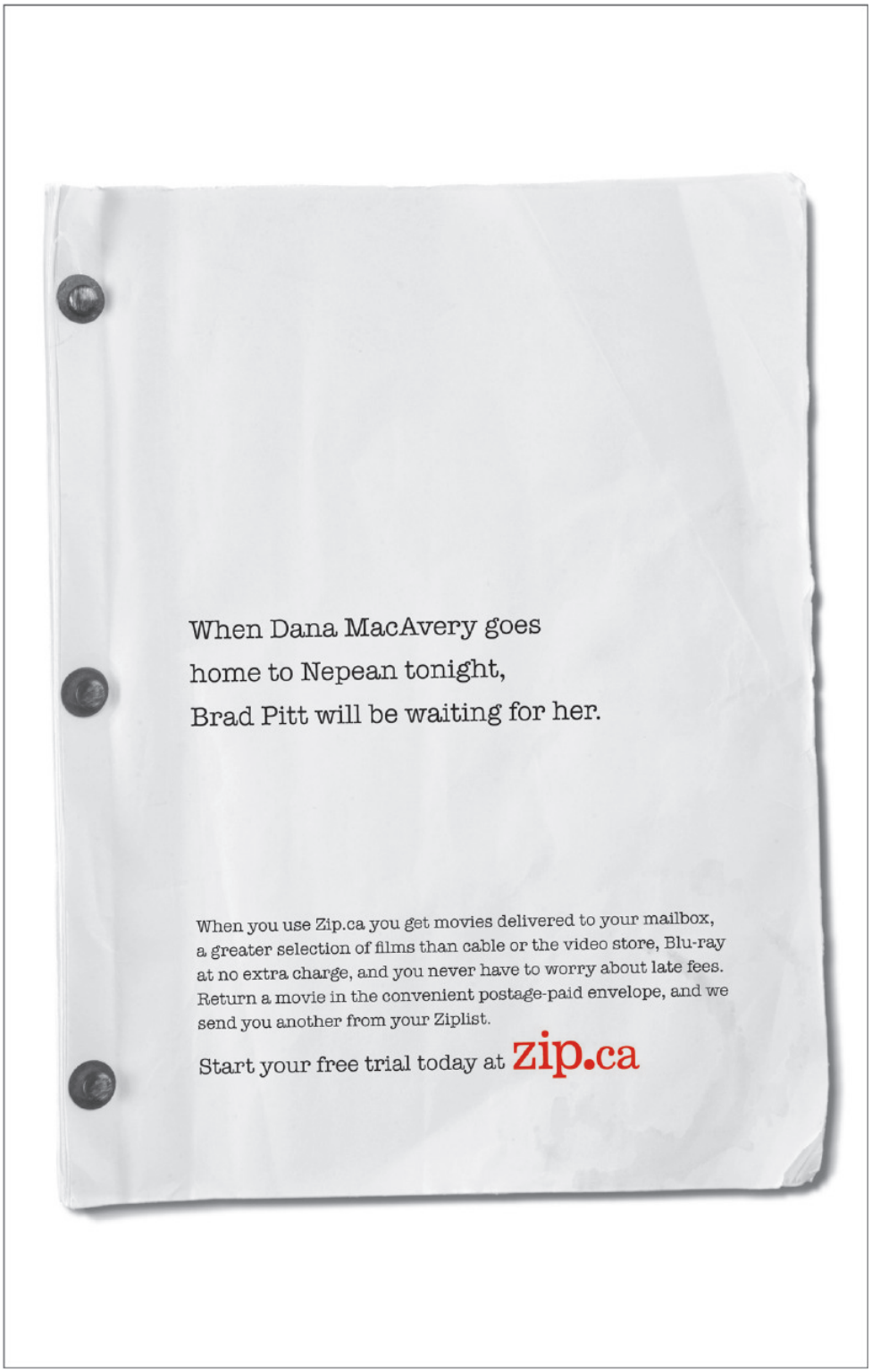

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Police want help in park death
Provincial police are appealing for information in the beating death of a man at Trudeau Park in Tweed, Ont., last month. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Student's murder referred to China

It's been eight long years, but the family of a Chinese student who was murdered in Canada may finally get some justice.

Her boyfriend, Ang Li, fled to China before the RCMP laid charges against him for her death.

New Democrat MLA Jenny Kwan, who has remained in touch with Zhao's family in China, said Thursday that the matter has now been referred to a court in Beijing.

No date has been set but the hearings will be open to the public.

"That is important, of course, as the issue of a fair trial surfaces from time to time," she said. "And given that it's subject to public scrutiny, I think that also gives us assurances that hopefully, the case will proceed and fair practice will be followed."

Li was arrested by Chinese police and has since changed his name to Jiaming Li, Kwan said.

His cousin, Han Zhang, was also arrested and is accused of being an accomplice in Zhao's murder.

Kwan was critical of RCMP, who she said did not seem to assist Zhao's family before they came to Canada in 2008 to demand answers from officials and issue a public plea for help in the case.

"There was little, if any contact, from police officers with the family to inform them of the situation," she said. "It was quite appalling."

The matter was also mired in jurisdictional issues between the provincial and federal government and the fact that there's no extradition treaty between Canada and China. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Burnaby student Wei Amanda Zhao, 21, who was found stuffed in a suitcase in Stave Lake, B.C., in October 2002.

Harper

- Last October, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said the RCMP was co-operating with Chinese authorities and the federal government was committed to seeing justice done.

Drug bust yields rocket launcher

WEAPONS The RCMP have seized a rocket launcher and a small arsenal of other weapons in a raid on a marijuana grow operation on a rural property near Kamloops, B.C. Police say the rocket launcher was a Canadian Army anti-tank device and the other weapons include seven rifles, two shotguns, eleven handguns and as much as 40,000 rounds of ammunition. Officers also seized more than eight kilograms of marijuana, growing equipment and smaller amounts of cocaine, heroin and methamphetamine.

N.B. to pitch in for water upgrades

INFRASTRUCTURE New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham says the province will help pay for upgrades to the water system in Saint John if he's re-elected in September.

Graham says the aging infrastructure needs to be replaced and vows to cover one-third of the costs, or about $200 million.

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Temiskaming Tribute

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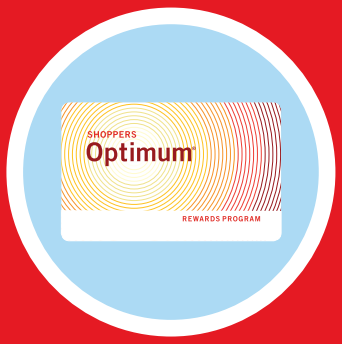
Shannen Koostachin dances at the Temiskaming Secondary School Pow Wow, in Temiskaming, Ont., in this 2009 file shot. Tributes have been pouring in for the 15-year-old aboriginal youth leader killed May 30 in a collision in Temagami. Koostachin won national attention as a Grade 8 student when she helped lead the fight to get Ottawa to build a school.



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First female bishop chosen in Finland
Finland's Evangelical Lutheran Church has chosen a woman to head the diocese of Helsinki. Irja Askola will be the country's first female bishop. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Palin blames oil spill on environmentalists

The Gulf oil spill is your fault, Sarah Palin tells "extreme environmentalists" on her Facebook site.

"Here's the deal," the former U.S. Republican vice-presidential candidate says. "With your nonsensical effort to lock up safer drilling areas ... You're not preventing environmental hazards; you're outsourcing them and making drilling more dangerous."

BP's deep water offshore drilling site in the Gulf of Mexico exploded five weeks ago and has been spewing millions of barrels of crude oil into the waters off the southern U.S. states ever since.

"Radical environmentalists: you are damaging the planet."
Sarah Palin on her Facebook page

"Extreme deep water drilling is not the preferred choice to meet our country's energy needs, but your protests and lawsuits and lies about onshore and shallow water drilling have locked up safer areas. It's catching up with you," Palin tells environmentalists. "The tragic, unprecedented deep water Gulf oil spill proves it."

The Arctic National Wildlife Reserve, with its "drilling footprint like a postage stamp on a football field," and the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska, with its rich lodes of oil and natural gas, sit untouched because of environmentalists, the former Alaska governor says.

"Radical environmentalists: you are damaging the planet." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Officials shoot down nuclear option for leak

OIL SPILL BP sliced off a pipe with giant shears Thursday in the latest bid to curtail the worst spill in U.S. history, but the cut was jagged and placing a cap over the gusher will now be more challenging.

BP turned to the shears after a diamond-tipped saw became stuck in the pipe halfway through the job, yet another frustrating delay in the six-week-old Gulf of Mexico spill.

The cap will be lowered and sealed over the leak, said Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, the government's point man for the disaster.

In the meantime, as top scientists and engineers debate ways to plug the gusher, one previously unthinkable idea that had been gaining steam in recent weeks has been decisively shot down: nukes.

Top Obama administration officials took to the airwaves on Thursday to scoff at a suggestion sparked by a Russian newspaper, Komsomoloskaya Pravda. The paper has pointed out the Soviet Union used nuclear weapons from the 1960s to the early '80s to cap their own out-of-control gas and oil wells, and urged the United States to do the same. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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British town left with questions

SHOOTINGS Derrick Bird killed his twin brother and the family lawyer, then travelled the roads he had worked as a taxi driver, shooting people — apparently aiming for their faces — killing 12 in all and wounding nearly a dozen before committing suicide. Detectives Thursday were trying to answer the elusive question: What drove the 52-year-old cabbie to commit the worst mass shooting in Britain since 1996?

In the traumatized town of Whitehaven, people described Bird as quiet and friendly. Known to some as "Birdy," he was a divorced dad who'd reportedly just become a grandfather for the first time.

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Peru Funeral as suspect arrested

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Marielena Ramirez attends the funeral of her daughter Stephany Flores in Lima, Peru, Thursday. The suspect in her murder, Joran van der Sloot, was arrested Thursday in neighbouring Chile. Van der Sloot had long been suspected in the 2005 disappearance of U.S. teen Natalee Holloway in Aruba.

London Olympic organizers scrap wind turbine
London 2012 organizers have scrapped plans to build a wind turbine on the Olympic Park site, citing feasibility. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israel rejects calls for international probe

Israel on Thursday rejected calls from the United Nations and others for an international investigation of its deadly raid on a Gaza-bound aid flotilla but left the door open to foreign involvement.

Israel says the commandos used force, killing nine people, only after activists attacked them with knives, crowbars and clubs, as well as two pistols grabbed from raiders. Activists who had set sail for Gaza with tons of aid, hoping to break Israel's three-year-old blockade of Gaza, say Israeli commandos fired first.

Officials have insisted Israel's military already is investigating the raid and the country is capable of conducting a credible review.

Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman, however, proposed attaching international observers to an internal Israeli probe.

Israel has refused to cooperate with previous international probes, most recently the UN investigation into Israel's 2009 war in the Gaza Strip that concluded that both the Israelis and Hamas militants, who control Gaza, committed war crimes. The international outrage over the deaths on board the flotilla's lead ship, the Mavi Marmara, has sparked a wave of protests across the diplomatic world and condemnations by a sheaf of countries. South Africa became the latest country to recall its ambassador to Israel, although it stressed it has no intention of expelling the Israeli ambassador or cutting diplomatic ties with the Jewish state.

The raid has also provoked multiple demands for an international probe, and on Wednesday, UN chief Ban Ki-moon indicated he was headed in that direction.

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Egypt **Paris in Cairo**

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Paris Hilton does her best "walk like an Egyptian" pose in front of the ancient Pyramid of Giza, near Cairo Thursday.

Official warns of terror threat

WINTER OLYMPICS Russia's security chief warned Thursday that terrorists intend to disrupt preparations for the 2014 Sochi Olympics, according to state news agency Itar-Tass. Alexander Bortnikov, head of the Federal Security Service, was quoted as saying the Winter Games face the same kinds of threats that led to the cancellation of the 2008 Paris-Dakar motor rally. "We can clearly hear the intentions of various gang leaders to stage a similar scenario in the run-up to the Winter Olympics in 2014," the news agency quoted him as saying. The Black Sea resort of Sochi is relatively close to Russia's restive North Caucasus region, from where officials say the country's chief terrorist threat emanates.

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University bans Tiananmen memorial

HONG KONG A university has banned students from erecting a statue that honours victims of the 1989 Tiananmen Square crackdown, as tensions simmer over public mourning in the semiautonomous Chinese territory on the 21st anniversary of the bloodshed. The Chinese University of Hong Kong said in a statement Wednesday the school "must maintain its principle of political neutrality."

The head of the university's student union, which made the statue request, accused the administration of being hypocritical, noting the university's president, Lawrence Lau, wasn't neutral because he serves on advisory bodies to both the Hong Kong and central Chinese governments.

China's government has never fully disclosed what happened when the military crushed the weekslong, student-led protests on the night of June 3-4, 1989, possibly killing thousands of students, activists and ordinary citizens. It has long maintained that the protests were a "counterrevolutionary riot."

"A government suppressing unarmed citizens is not a matter of political ideology. It's a matter of right or wrong," student union president Eric Lai said in a phone interview Thursday.

Chinese University's staff union also lashed out at the administration, accusing it of self-censorship and pandering to authority.

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Lower Saxony governor to be next German president?

Germany's government has nominated the 50-year-old governor of Lower Saxony as its candidate for the nation's presidency. Chancellor Angela Merkel tapped Christian Wulff on Tuesday to run for Germany's head of state after President Horst Koehler's surprise resignation Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Karzai tries bridge-building

After two days of sometimes acrimonious debate, President Hamid Karzai on Thursday looked likely to win a national peace conference's support for his plan to invite the Taliban to negotiations to try to end Afghanistan's years of war.

But delegates differed about exactly what to offer, and to whom, and when. They argued over whether the top leadership should be welcomed to the negotiating table. And some said the three-day jirga, as the conference is known, was too short to achieve a meaningful outcome.

The government says it called together the 1,500 provincial, religious, tribal and other leaders from across the country to advise Karzai on what to try next to end fighting between Taliban insurgents and Afghan forces backed by U.S. and NATO troops.

The president wants to offer rank-and-file insurgents amnesties and other incentives to lay down their arms, and to hold talks with top Taliban leaders if they renounce al-Qaida and vow to uphold the constitution.

Winning the backing of the conference would politically bolster Karzai, increasingly unpopular because of corruption in his government and his fraud-marred re-election last year.

But even winning broad support of jirga delegates would only be a tentative first step toward negotiating an end to the nearly nine year conflict in Afghanistan, where violence is running at record levels despite a surge in U.S. forces.

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An Afghan delegate talks on the phone Thursday after finishing daily duties during the jirga conference in Kabul, Afghanistan.

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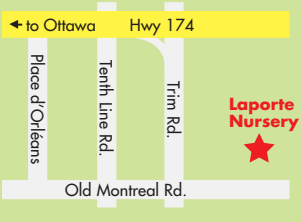

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Mom's death catastrophic for Bangladeshi kids: Study

ASIA For children in Bangladesh, losing a mother — but not a father — can be deadly, a new study says.

Researchers in Bangladesh, Britain and the U.S. used data from population surveys from 1982 to 2005 in Matlab, Bangladesh, to follow what happened to more than 144,800 children. Of those, nearly 15,000 died by age 10.

The experts found that children whose mothers died had about a 24 per cent chance of making it to age 10. Children who didn't lose their mothers had about an 89 per cent chance.

The effect was particularly dramatic in infants; those aged two to five months who lost their mothers were 25 times more likely to die than babies whose mothers were still alive.

And for children whose fathers died, there was no effect. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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U.S. accuses Texan of links to al-Qaida cleric
The U.S. government alleges in a new terrorism case that a Texas man communicated with the fugitive al-Qaida cleric whose name surfaced in the shootings at Fort Hood, Texas. Court documents in Houston say Barry Walter Bujol of Hempstead, Texas, had been communicating via email with Anwar al-Awlaki. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DMV erred in asking for headscarf removal: Official

CALIFORNIA A Muslim woman who was erroneously told to remove her headscarf for a driver's licence photo will be allowed to retake her photo with the head covering on.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations said Thursday that a Department of Motor Vehicle employee in Oceanside, Calif. insisted that the woman remove her headscarf, even though state rules allow for religious head coverings in ID photos. DMV spokeswoman Jan Mendoza said there was a misunderstanding. She said the employee asked the woman to move her scarf, but she removed it instead. She said DMV staff can ask customers to move head coverings so the whole face is showing.

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Apology

- DMV rep Jan Mendoza says the employee has since apologized to the woman.

Activist's death raises questions

AFRICA A leading Congolese human rights activist killed this week had suffered a pattern of intimidation because of his work, a senior UN official said Thursday, as a rights group questioned whether police were already staging a coverup.

The body of Floribert Chebeya Bahizire, head of Voix des Sans Voix, or Voice of the Voiceless, was found in his car Wednesday in a suburb of Congo's capital. The rights group, one of the largest in Congo, said he appeared to have been strangled.

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon expressed shock at Chebeya's death, and stressed that the investigation should be "thorough, transparent and independent."

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Little oil nothing to fear: Docs

Oil has now washed up on the beaches of three Gulf states. How dangerous is it?

Not very, experts say.

People should of course stay away from oil on the beach or in the water, but swallowing a little oil-tainted water or getting slimed by a tar ball is not considered grounds for a trip to the emergency room, health officials say.

"Limited contact is not something that needs to be treated by a physician," said Doc Kokol, a spokesman for the Florida Department of Health.

It's been six weeks since the Deepwater Horizon rig exploded, killing 11 workers and pouring an estimated 21 million to 45 million gallons of crude oil into the Gulf of Mexico. Oil has hit beaches in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. And it lurks off the coast of the Florida Panhandle.

The spill involves a type of oil called medium sweet crude. It's considered less hazardous than other forms because it contains fewer toxic sulphur compounds and fewer chemicals that enter the air easily, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

But oil is considered toxic. Short exposures may cause only fleeting symptoms. But long-term, daily exposure to large amounts could lead to health problems, and potentially raise the risk of cancer, said Niladri Basu, a University of Michigan environmental toxicologist.

"Avoidance is the best medicine," he said.

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Alleged war criminal leaves U.S.: Justice Department

The U.S. Justice Department says a man who served in a Bosnian Serb Army brigade containing units that allegedly engaged in war crimes has left the United States after a judge ordered that he be stripped of his naturalized citizenship. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Fewer in U.S. jails: Study

The United States' local jail population is declining for the first time since the federal government began keeping count, reflecting what some experts say is a growing belief that jails are housing too many people who do not belong there.

The number of inmates in county and city jails was about 767,600 at the end of last June, down by nearly 18,000 inmates from a year earlier.

Growth in the U.S. jail population has been slowing since 2005. The latest total was down 2.3 per cent and represented the first decline since the Bureau of Justice Statistics began its annual jail survey in 1982.

The reversal took place as crime in the U.S. fell dramatically. Violent crime fell 5.5 per cent last year, and property crime was down 4.9 per cent, the third straight year of declines.

The drop in local jail populations, like the crime decline, coincided with the economic downturn that has taken a heavy toll on city and county budgets.

"County governments are looking at how they want to spend their resources and are deciding that maybe jail isn't the best place," said Nancy La Vigne of The Urban Institute. "Communities may be using more non-jail alternatives now."

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ACLU sues U.S. feds over surveillance

RIGHTS Civil rights groups sued the U.S. government Thursday to try to force it to reveal more about the surveillance of Americans' international emails and telephone calls.

The American Civil Liberties Union and the New York Civil Liberties Union said in the lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan that the public has been kept "almost entirely in the dark" about implementation of the FISA Amendments Act of 2008.

Among other things, the law shielded telecom companies from lawsuits under the warrantless wiretapping efforts initiated after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. The suit seeks a court order requiring the government to immediately process requests for information made by the civil rights groups about six months ago.

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Moscow **Mission to 'Mars'**

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An international team of researchers will try to experience what a trip to Mars might be like by locking themselves up in a windowless capsule for 520 days — the time needed for a roundtrip to the red planet — in the spartan conditions of a mock spaceship, while following a harsh regimen of experiments and exercise.

News in brief

JAPAN Japan's Cabinet has resigned en masse to clear the way for a ruling party vote to select a successor to former Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama, who resigned Wednesday. Later Friday, Democratic Party of Japan members will pick a new party chief, who will almost certainly be installed as prime minister because the party controls a majority in the more powerful lower house of parliament.

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Science awards broaden scope

Telescope tweak earns $1M prize

Eight scientists from the U.S., Britain and Germany shared three awards worth $1 million each on Thursday for work that has helped humans explore distant corners of the universe and the tiniest particles on Earth.

The biennial Kavli Prizes honour research in three categories: astrophysics, nanoscience and neuroscience.

This year's winners were announced at a ceremony in Oslo, which was simultaneously broadcast at the World Science Festival in New York.

The 2010 awards recognize innovations in telescope design, research into the chemistry behind brain activity and breakthroughs in the study of minuscule materials and molecule-sized structures, the Norwegian prize officials said.

The award for astrophysics was shared by American Jerry Nelson of the University of California, Santa Cruz; British scientist Raymond Wilson of the European Southern Observatory and formerly of Imperial College London; and Roger Angel of the University of Arizona. Angel has British and U.S. citizenship.

Working separately, Nelson and Angel improved the structure of telescopes, making them more powerful and allowing them to provide higher-resolution images.

Angel, whose lab designs and builds mirrors for some of the world's largest telescopes, said the award was especially gratifying because such honours usually go to theorists or astronomers.

"It's nice that once in a while they recognize the people who make the telescopes that ultimately are behind these discoveries," Angel said.

Wilson's work also helped astronomers gaze further into space by using computers to correct for the distorting effects of gravity, wind and temperature on telescopes.

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East-West Downtown Segregated Bike Lane Pilot Project

Public Meeting

Monday June 7, 2010	Tuesday June 8, 2010	Thursday June 10, 2010	Monday June 14, 2010
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dalhousie Community Centre 755 Somerset Street West (Room capacity 50 people)	6:30 to 8:30 p.m. McNabb Community Centre 180 Percy Street (Room capacity 50 people)	6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dominion-Chalmers United Church, Woodside Hall 55 Cooper Street (Room capacity 150 people)	5 to 7 p.m. City Hall – Rotunda 110 Laurier Avenue West (Room capacity 300 people)

Each public meeting includes a presentation that begins 30 minutes after the start time followed by **discussion group sessions**.
Pre-registration for discussion groups is required at **ottawa.ca/bikelane** or call 3-1-1.
Discussion group pre-registration ends **Monday, June 7 at 12 noon**

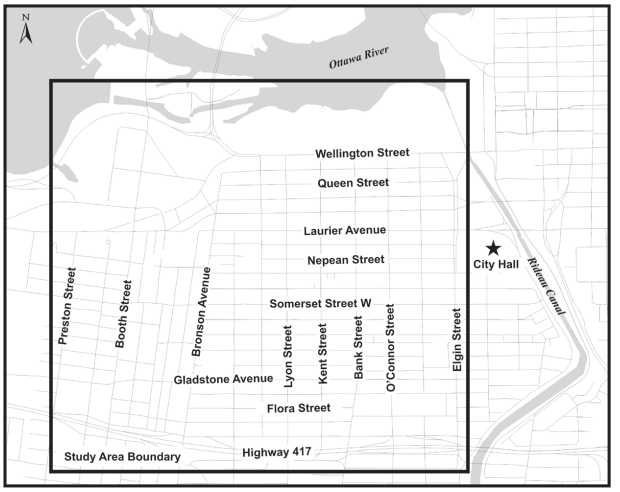
What is this meeting about?

The City of Ottawa has initiated a pilot project for the identification of an east-west downtown segregated bike lane within the area bounded by Elgin Street, Preston Street, the Ottawa River and Highway 417. The bicycle lane is intended to be installed for a minimum of one-year on the selected corridor and it is being planned to be maintained throughout the winter months. The intent of this undertaking is to develop a recommended plan to provide a safe, fully segregated bike lane that better connects cycling lanes through the downtown.

Why Attend?

The purpose of this meeting is to provide:

- A description and examples of segregated bike lanes
- A description of the potential corridors being considered
- A description of the evaluation criteria and analysis to date
- A description of the potential benefits and impacts
- Opportunities for you to become involved in the evaluation process, identification of local issues and the development of the lanes.



Need more information?

If you are not available to attend the meeting or would like additional information, please visit the project webpage at ottawa.ca/bikelane or direct your comments and questions to the project manager listed below. The presentation material for the meeting will be available on the project webpage after June 7.

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Comment

Wild way to deal with wildlife

UrbanCompass

This week's ill-starred standoff between police and two moose in Orleans was a reminder that the division between the urban and wilderness environment is not as clear-cut as we often assume.

No part of Ottawa is very far from the woods, and suburban garbage lures wild animals into contact with humans.

Animals can't read signs. They don't know whose jurisdiction they're in. And it turns out we're not much better.

The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources used to handle cases like Tuesday's moose incident in Ottawa. In the 1990s, the job fell to the National Capital Commission. Its contract with the city lapsed two years ago, for reasons nobody seems eager to discuss. The usual jurisdictional bickering we've come to know and loathe in Ottawa likely played a role.

So when the moose showed up, dealing with them was nobody's job in particular.

As in so many last-resort cases, it fell to the police to handle the moose incursion, and it didn't go well. Our cops are not well-trained to deal with wildlife, but they filled in as well as they could.

After an extended and ineffectual attempt to tranquilize the animals, one escaped and the other, after a close call with an OC Transpo bus, was cornered by police and shot dead.

This, regrettable and inelegant as it was, was our solution. Ditto this winter when a coyote was photographed near the Greenboro Community Centre. A pack live in the area and generally avoid people.

That picture of the coyote trotting past playground equipment sealed its fate. Local residents, seized with the nightmarish fear of losing a pet or even a child, didn't want to hear about the effect of development encroaching on wilderness habitat. They wanted the threat eliminated — now. The city had that coyote and another one killed.

The animals were diseased and there may not have been an alternative to killing them, but public panic, and political response to that panic, made this outcome more likely.

We can't avoid the occasional collision with wildlife, so it makes sense for the public and authorities to be better prepared. Better-educated humans would result in fewer dead animals.

It would also be reassuring to see the city, the MNR and the NCC untangle their respective red tape to deal with the reality that people and wildlife are going to continue to encounter each other.

When it happens, there should be better tools available than a bullet.

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Views

'Don't forget about the people of Chad'

Mia Farrow

I have been to Chad 13 times. What brings me back is the warmth and resilience of the people despite living in one of the world's poorest and conflict torn countries.

My most recent trip to Chad was in March with UNICEF, where I visited Mao, a sand-swept town in the Kanem region in the far west of the country. It is the most desolate and powerfully beautiful place I have ever seen.

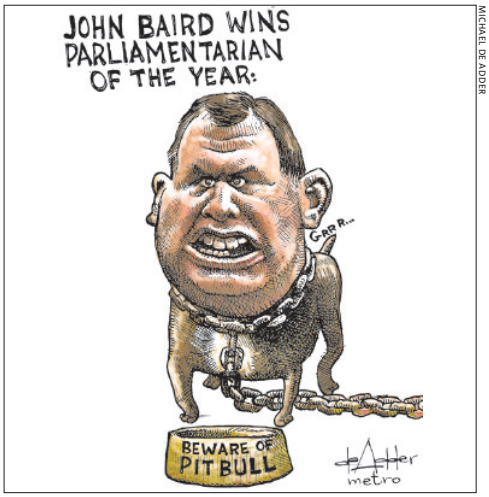
But the rainfall last year was barely one-third of what it once was. With drought came the failure of the crops. The food stocks are gone. But the real horror is that the children of Mao are at risk of dying, too.

Approximately two million people in Chad are in need of food aid — but support is falling short. Last month, the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) sounded the alarm, saying that of the $11.8 million requested for agricultural emergency operations in the country, only $2 million has been mobilized. That compares with the $14.5 million FAO has raised for neighbouring Niger, also hit by severe food shortages.

"Donors are afraid of a repetition of the 2005 food crisis in Niger, when many people starved to death," Fatouma Seid, FAO's emergency operations expert, said in a statement. "In comparison, there's less awareness of what's happening in Chad, although the situation there is just as critical."

The government of Chad and the international community must urgently respond to this crisis. The same message I hear from men, women and children who I meet when travelling through this African country, is the same message I urge the world to hear: "Don't forget about the people of Chad."

Mia Farrow is a UNICEF goodwill ambassador.



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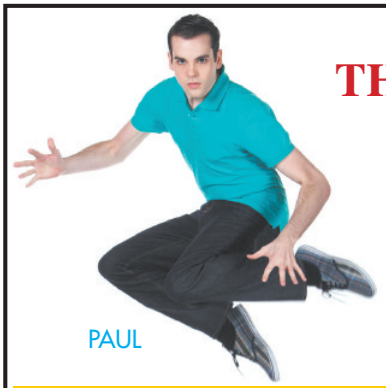

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Nielsen looks to lessen debt load
Nielsen Holdings BV, the television-audience rating company, filed to raise as much as $1.75 billion US in an initial public offering. Nielsen will use the proceeds to help pay down its $8.6 billion in debt, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Agency in hot water over money-for-jobs allegations

FOREIGN WORKERS An employment agency is facing charges for allegedly collecting fees from foreign workers to find them jobs.

The government says Platinum-Care.Com Corporation allegedly charged two foreign workers a total of $5,200 to secure them each jobs, a practice not allowed in Alberta.

The workers say they paid the money in early Oct. 2008 but in Dec. 2008 requested their money back.

Platinum-Care.Com Corporation is charged under the Fair Trading Act.

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Prime digital real estate

Companies paying premium rates for ad space on tablet-specific publications

Good news for the news business: Companies are paying newspapers and magazines up to five times as much to place ads in their iPad applications as what similar advertising costs on regular websites.

This doesn't mean Apple's tablet computer will live up to its hype as a potential lifeline for the media industry. Online ads still generate a small fraction of news companies' advertising revenue, and it's an open question whether print ads will return to what they totalled before the recession.

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After nearly a year of labouring on a tablet edition of the magazine, Wired released its application in Apple's digital newsstand on Wednesday.

But early evidence suggests the iPad is at least offering publishers a way to get more money out of advertisers. That bolsters the hope that portable touchscreen computers could start turning the economics of digital advertising in publishers' favour.

Still, a lot will need to go right for publishers before the iPad and imitator tablet computers become a significant source of income.

For one thing, media applications will have to be compelling enough to keep people engaged for longer periods. That's especially true if a publisher wants to charge for a news app, because free articles on the Web are just a few taps away on the iPad's browser. Expect media companies to hold back more material from their free websites and offer it exclusively in tablet apps.

Also, tablet computers will have to get into many more readers' hands — but without becoming so mundane that advertisers are no longer willing to pay a premium for what now is rarefied space.

iPad applications such as USA Today's give advertisers new possibilities. A reader can click on Courtyard by Marriott's USA Today ad and then with a flick of a finger scroll through images of the hotels' updated lobby design. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Spain **Mysterious meeting**

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An activist protests Thursday near the meeting place for the conference of the Bilderberg Group meeting in Sitges, Spain. The Bilderberg Group is an unofficial conference of around 130 invitation-only guests who are insiders in politics, banking, business, military and the media. The group's meetings are held in secret and are closed to the public.

China introduces new tax with aim of offsetting regional poverty

NATURAL RESOURCES China has imposed a tax on oil and gas production in its northwestern Muslim region of Xinjiang in a move to raise money for poor minority areas and possibly ease public anger at the wealth of government energy companies.

The five per cent tax in oil-rich Xinjiang, imposed Tuesday, is part of a development plan for the desert region, where ethnic tensions exploded into rioting last July that killed nearly 200 people. Beijing says that after a trial there, the tax will be applied to resource production nationwide.

Minority areas such as Xinjiang and Tibet are among China's poorest despite producing a large share of its oil, gas and minerals. A key source of anti-Chinese anger is complaints by local residents that they get little of the wealth extracted by government companies, most of which flows to distant Beijing.

"The increased revenue from the resource tax should be focused on improving local people's lives," said President Hu Jintao at a May 17-19 conference on how to defuse tensions in Xinjiang.

There has been no word on how the tax might apply to other resources such as copper and gold mining in mineral-rich Tibet.

Beijing has invested billions of dollars in Xinjiang and other minority areas and built roads and other infrastructure. But local residents say the benefits largely go to settlers from China's Han majority.

The new tax would cut into profits at state-owned oil and gas companies, possibly helping to defuse public irritation at the windfall they have enjoyed due to soaring prices and China's boom in auto sales. The biggest oil producer, PetroChina Ltd., reported a 2009 profit of $15.1 billion, or nearly $2 million per hour.

Critics say energy companies and their well-paid bosses benefit from official favours and profit unfairly at the expense of China's public. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Most Canadian radio stations' revenues fell in 2009: CRTC

BROADCASTING Canada's federal regulator says commercial radio stations generally produced lower revenues and profits in 2009, though French-language FM stations bucked the trend.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission said Thursday that overall profits before interest and taxes tumbled to $272 million from $334.9 million in 2008.

At English FM radio, profits were $234.1 million, a drop from $299.9 million in the previous year.

But French FM radio's profits moved higher to $35.4 million from $33.3 million.

Revenues overall fell 5.2 per cent to $1.5 billion in the year ended Aug. 31, 2009.

English-language FM radio revenues were down 5.8 per cent to just under $1 billion, while French-language FM radio reported slightly higher revenues of $227 million.

AM radio station revenues were down 7.4 per cent to just over $300 million. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Maytag issues product recall

RECALL Maytag Corp. is recalling about 1.7 million dishwashers because of a fire hazard, including about 160,000 units in Canada.

Canadian and American officials say the company has received 12 reports of electrical failures in the heating element that led to fires. No injuries have been reported.

The recall includes Maytag, Amana, Jenn-Air, Admiral, Magic Chef, Performa by Maytag and Crosley brand dishwashers with plastic tubs.

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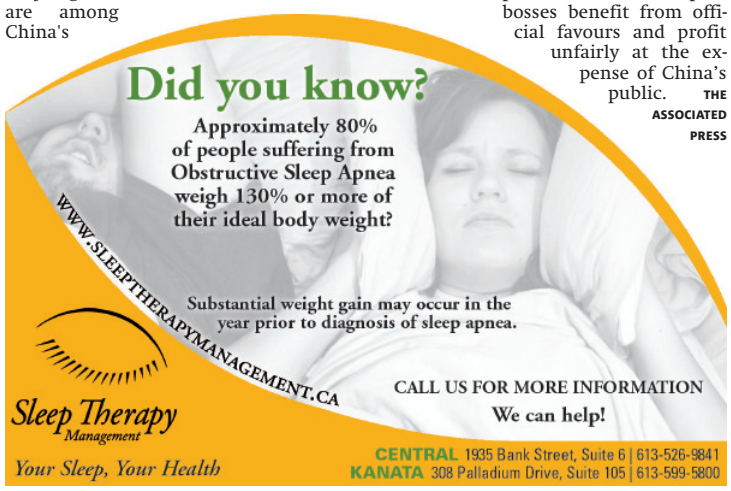

Griffey won't be away from Mariners for long: Agent

Ken Griffey Jr. will be back with Seattle in the near future working with the team in a long-term job to be determined, according to the agent for the now-retired Mariners slugger. Brian Goldberg told The Associated Press in a telephone interview on Thursday that Griffey's quiet exit from baseball is not the last time these Mariners will see him. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sports

No summit, says Stern

There will be no free agency summit. So says NBA commissioner David Stern, claiming he has been assured at the "highest level" that there will be no sitdown among LeBron James, left, Dwyane Wade, Chris Bosh and the other superstars who could hit the market July 1. And that was the players' choice, he said, not an order from him.

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No plan to calm perfect storm

Baseball official says call that denied pitcher perfection won't be reversed

The imperfect game stands.

An umpire's tears and admission he blew a call failed to move baseball commissioner Bud Selig to award Armando Galarraga the perfect game he pitched. The play and its aftermath quickly became the talk of the sports world and beyond, even to the White House.

Selig said Thursday that Major League Baseball will look at expanded replay and umpiring, but didn't specifically address umpire Jim Joyce's botched call Wednesday night that cost Galarraga the perfect game — 27 batters up, 27 batters down. No hits, no walks, no errors.

A baseball official familiar with the decision confirmed to The Associated Press that the call was not being reversed.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because that element was not included in Selig's statement.

Joyce said he erred on what would've been the final out in Detroit, when he called Cleveland's Jason Donald safe at first base.

The umpire personally apologized to Galarraga and hugged him after the Tigers' 3-0 win, then took the field at Comerica Park Thursday in tears.

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Home plate umpire Jim Joyce shakes hands with Detroit Tigers pitcher Armando Galarraga Thursday in Detroit.

Tigers manager Jim Leyland picked Galarraga to present Detroit's lineup at home plate before Thursday's game to set up the meeting with Joyce.

They shook hands, and the umpire gave the pitcher a pat on the shoulder.

"I didn't want this to be my 15 minutes of fame. I would have liked my 15 minutes to be a great call in the World Series. Hopefully, my 15 minutes are over now," Joyce said.

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Sports in brief

GOLF Geoff Ogilvy dropped into a three-way tie for the lead at the Memorial, giving up the outright lead by carelessly missing a par putt inside three feet. The consolation for Ogilvy was a 7-under 65 and a share of the lead Thursday with Rickie Fowler and Justin Rose.

SOCCER A Cornell University professor with a love for soccer has used math and statistics to predict Brazil will win soccer's World Cup. "Mathematically speaking, right now, Brazil has the best odds," Chris Anderson said.

SOCCER Josee Belanger scored her first international goal to give Canada's women's soccer team a 1-1 draw with Norway in a friendly Thursday.

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Nadal insists French Open is wide open

"Right now, there is no one favourite."
Rafael Nadal

TENNIS After his 20th consecutive victory on clay, Rafael Nadal was pressed in an on-court interview to declare himself the man to beat at this year's upset-filled French Open.

"Right now," Nadal insisted, "there is no one favourite."

And yet, heading into Friday's semifinals, the second-seeded Nadal stands out.

The Spaniard is the only remaining player to have won a title at any of tennis' Grand Slam tournaments.

He owns six major championships in all, including four in a row at Roland Garros from 2005 to 2008.

Two of the other men, No. 15 Tomas Berdych of the Czech Republic and No. 22 Jurgen Melzer of Austria, are first-time Grand Slam semifinalists. As Berdych put it after his quarter-final victory: "It's nice to be here."

No. 5 Robin Soderling of Sweden, meanwhile, will be playing in only his second major semifinal.

Then again, Soderling is the only man to ever have beaten Nadal in the French Open: The Spaniard was 31-0 for his career at the clay-court Grand Slam tournament before losing to Soderling in the fourth round last year.

Soderling went on to lose to Roger Federer in the final.

Showing that his 2009 run in Paris was no fluke, Soderling pulled off another surprise by beating the top-seeded Federer in the quarter-finals Tuesday.

All of which is why people are starting to look ahead, thinking about the intriguing possibility of seeing a Nadal vs. Soderling rematch in Sunday's final.

Not so fast, warns Nadal, who can overtake Federer for the No. 1 ranking by winning the title.

First things first: Nadal plays Melzer in one semifinal, while Soderling faces Berdych in the other.

"I never think about revenge," said Nadal, who turned 24 on Thursday. "And I am in (the) semifinals against Melzer. ... So I am focused on that match right now, no?"

Not that Nadal needs help on his favourite surface, but he is winding his way through an easier path than might have been expected.

In the quarter-finals, he played No. 19 Nicolas Almagro, instead of No. 7 Fernando Verdasco.

Now he takes on Melzer — a 29-year-old player never before past the third round at any Grand Slam tournament in 31 previous tries, and someone who's never beaten Nadal — instead of No. 3 Novak Djokovic, the 2008 Australian Open champion who's defeated the Spaniard seven times.

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Schiavone to face Stosur in final

FRENCH OPEN Francesca Schiavone will play Samantha Stosur in Saturday's French Open final, the latest surprise in a week full of them at Roland Garros.

The 17th-seeded Schiavone became the first Italian woman to reach a major final when opponent Elena Dementieva unexpectedly retired from their semifinal with a left calf injury after losing the first set 7-6 (3) on Thursday.

No. 7 Stosur then became the first Australian woman in 30 years to reach a Grand Slam final by drubbing former No. 1 Jelena Jankovic 6-1, 6-2.

Both Schiavone and Stosur are first-time Grand Slam finalists.

"We're both out here to enjoy it," Stosur said. "We're both going to be excited. It's a great opportunity for both of us."

Meanwhile, Canadian Daniel Nestor has advanced to his third doubles final in four years at Roland Garros.

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Sinatra out, Jay-Z in for Belmont Stakes

Start spreading the news: Sinatra's out at the Belmont Stakes. The New York Racing Association says Frank Sinatra's classic version of New York, New York is being replaced by Jay-Z's Empire State of Mind as the music heard when the horses step onto the track for the $1 million US Belmont on Saturday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Not the usual suspects

Unexpected players producing goals in final

The big guns for both the Flyers and the Blackhawks have been relatively quiet in the Stanley Cup final, but goals are coming from unexpected sources.

Third-line centre Claude Giroux was the hero with an overtime goal and two assists as the Flyers got their first win of the series in Game 3 on Wednesday.

His goal came after Ville Leino, who was not in the lineup when the playoffs started, tied it in the third period.

While they were shut out in Game 3, Chicago's second unit of Patrick Sharp with Marian Hossa and Troy Brouwer was its most dangerous in the opening two games.

Chicago stars Patrick Kane and Jonathan Toews finally combined for their first goal of the series in Game 3 and hope that will get them untracked, but it has been tough sledding against the big, physical Philadelphia defence led by Chris Pronger.

"Both teams have depth in scoring and you're seeing that in the series."
Kris Versteeg, Hawks forward

"They're so tightly checked, everyone is, but maybe those top guys a little more," Blackhawks forward Kris Versteeg said Thursday. "So it's not surprising.

"Both teams have depth in scoring and you're seeing that in the series."

Chicago leads the best-of-seven final 2-1 with Game 4 of what has been a tight series set for Friday night at the Wachovia Center.

Philadelphia's first line of Mike Richards, Jeff Carter and Simon Gagne has combined for three points — a Gagne goal with an assist to the other two.

Into that void stepped the second unit of centre Daniel Briere with Leino and rugged winger Scott Hartnell, who between them have six goals and seven assists in the series.

At times, coach Peter Laviolette has two of them take a shift with Giroux, but he is not concerned at the lack of production from his big line, particularly team captain Richards, who also had a quiet Eastern Conference final until he broke out with three points in the fifth and deciding game.

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Philadelphia Flyer Claude Giroux, top right, celebrates after scoring in overtime on Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Former UCLA coach John Wooden in 'grave' condition: Reports

HEALTH Former UCLA basketball coach and Hall of Famer John Wooden is reportedly hospitalized in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles television station KCAL and the Los Angeles Times were reporting Thursday night that the 99-year-old Wooden is in "grave" condition at UCLA Medical Center.

The Times cites an anonymous school source who says Wooden's health has been an issue in recent weeks and that he was briefly hospitalized about a month ago.

Wooden led the Bruins to 10 NCAA championships — at one time winning seven in a row — during a 27-year run that ended with his team cutting down the nets one last time in 1975.

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Henderson's jersey more than just a sweater

Canadian Tire Corporation is trying to repatriate one of the most significant artifacts in the history of Canada.

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Then again, it's not just any sweater. It's the jersey Paul Henderson was wearing when he scored the most famous goal in the annals of the game. It came with 34 seconds left in Moscow and sunk the Soviet Union in the fabled Summit Series of 1972.

We all know the story of the dramatic Canadian comeback and Henderson's heroics, which included three game-winning goals. That scenario has been etched onto the Canadian consciousness for nearly 40 years.

Now Canadian Tire is trying to buy that sweater at an online auction and its opening bid of $200,000 already makes it the most valuable hockey sweater ever. Canadian Tire wants to release the iconic fabric from the grip of an American, who now owns it, and make it available for all Canadians to see.

Here's the kicker — once the company is done with it, having exhausted its promotional value, it plans to put the garment on long-term loan to a museum, presumably the Hockey Hall of Fame. The Canadian government, through the Ministry of Heritage, has hinted it may aid in the process if it looks like internationals are winning the bidding.

Sounds like a plan.

Ironically, Paul Henderson, the man who wore the sweater and was somehow magically empowered by it, is not a member of the Hockey Hall of Fame. He is a member of Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and is the honorary chair of the Mississauga Sports Hall of Fame, where he presided over inductions this week.

Strange because the man he scored that goal against, Vladislav Tretiak, is enshrined in hockey's greatest museum. So why isn't Henderson?

Critics will argue that he didn't win a Stanley Cup and didn't score enough goals in his career in the National Hockey League.

But it isn't called the "NHL Hall of Fame," it's the "Hockey Hall of Fame" and Henderson's name is synonymous with hockey's most famous act.

He scored the goal, not the sweater.

Surely we no longer believe that clothes make the man.

Maybe it's time to not only bring this famous hockey sweater home, but also to recognize that the player who wore it is the real national treasure.

Gemini Award winner and author Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. A 20-year CBC Sports veteran, he has covered a variety of professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Raptors coach Carlesimo says joining club was easy decision

NBA Toronto Raptors assistant coach P.J. Carlesimo goes back a long way with head coach Jay Triano.

He said that, combined with the respect he has for GM Bryan Colangelo, senior adviser Wayne Embry and senior vice-president Maurizio Gherardini, made his decision to join the NBA club an easy one.

"They're very, very well thought of by me and by virtually everybody in the league," Carlesimo said Thursday. "So I think a confidence in the franchise, where the franchise is at and where (it) can get ... there were a lot of things that went into it but I think with anything, it always starts with the people."

The Raptors announced Carlesimo's hiring Wednesday. Carlesimo, 61, brings 35 years of coaching experience to the Raptors, including 13 seasons in the NBA. Carlesimo and Triano also worked together with the USA Basketball select team in 2007 and 2008.

The Raptors' roster was given an overhaul before last season but the team missed the playoffs again, finishing with a 40-42 record.

There could be more big changes ahead this summer. Franchise player Chris Bosh is set to become a free agent and recent reports have said forward Hedo Turkoglu wants out of Toronto.

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Laugh-fest with heart

Get Him to the Greek

Director: Nick Stoller
Stars: Russel Brand, Jonah Hill
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Just as comedy sage Judd Apatow made stars out of unlikely actors Seth Rogen and Jason Segel with respective hits, Get Him to the Greek aims to turn Russell Brand and plumpy Jonah Hill into Hollywood's latest A-listers.

And it may just do it. A spin-off to the 2008 Apatow-produced hit Forgetting Sarah Marshall, this tale about a record executive hopeful named Aaron (Hill) and his lascivious, out-of-control rock 'n' roll charge (Brand, reviving Marshall's Aldous Snow character) anchors gross-out gags by giving the bedlam a heart.

When eager Aaron is given a big corporate opportunity to escort the relapsing rocker to America for a comeback concert at Hollywood's Greek Theatre, the young exec is dragged into Snow's late-night binges, spontaneous side-trips and the type of rabid partying that may recall lost memories from last summer's surprise hit The Hangover.

Like that film, Greek is a juxtapositional experience allowing audiences a peek behind the curtain at, not only the hedonism of the rock 'n' roll lifestyle (especially while in Vegas), but the emptiness that often accompanies it.

Showing some interesting dramatic depth, Brand's Snow remains charming enough even while he slips Aaron a potent medicinal cocktail or badgers him to shove a ball of contraband someplace it really shouldn't go.

As the film wears on, we soon realize there's motive to the mayhem.

Surprisingly however, the real scene-stealer is Sean (P. Diddy) Coombs, who plays the maniacal CEO who sends Aaron on his mission.

Whenever he appears (and it is too infrequent), the proceedings amp up to 11. Toss in several obscure cameo appearances (Ricky Schroeder) and you may just want to get yourself to the Greek.

Jonah Hill and Russell Brand dish out some raunchy humour in Get Him to the Greek.

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The Cry of the Owl let down by heroine

The Cry of The Owl

Director: Jamie Thraves
Stars: Paddy Considine, Julia Stiles
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW At her best, the American novelist Patricia Highsmith located the sweet spot between potboiler suspense tactics and comic detachment.

Novels like Strangers on a Train and The Talented Mr. Ripley became high-water marks for the literary thriller, while inspiring impressive (if only variably faithful) film adaptations.

Music-video veteran Jamie Thraves' take on Highsmith's more obscure 1962 novel The Cry of the Owl is notable for hewing more closely to its source material, retaining not only the basic set-up — a lonely man spends his nights spying on a young woman who lives alone at the edge of the woods — but also most of the elaborately plotted follow-through.

Paddy Considine was a good choice for the role of Robert Forster, and the English actor does a good job approximating discomfort, but he's let down by his co-star.

In a part that requires the delicate modulation of emotion, Julia Stiles is merely blank.

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Hit Girl Moretz gets Hick-ed

Since her role as Hit Girl in Kick-Ass, Chloe Moretz has become quite the in-demand actress. Having landed one of the leads in Martin Scorsese's The Invention Of Hugo Cabret, Moretz has now signed up for the indie drama Hick. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Brainy monster mash

Splice

Director: Vincenzo Natali
Stars: Sarah Polley, Adrien Brody
Classification: 18A
Rating:

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Adrien Brody and Canadian actress Sarah Polley play modern-day Frankensteins in the sci-fi/horror film Splice.

Drawing obvious thematic and stylistic comparisons to the work of Canadian body horror icon David Cronenberg, fellow Canuck Vincenzo (Cube, Cypher) Natali's Splice is a triumph of psychosexual science fiction.

Like the best of Cronenberg (Videodrome, The Brood, Shivers), the film manages to explore high-minded concepts of mad science and technology run amok while grounding them in warm, earthy — some might say uniquely Canadian — humanity.

But despite its highbrow pretentions, Splice is also filled to the beaker with buckets of pulp trash mayhem; genre fans looking to wallow in blood-spattered camp will be more than a bit thrilled.

Adrien Brody and Sarah Polley play lover geneticists who, after becoming scientist rock stars from creating DNA fused life-forms, decide to blend human and animal genes for kicks and curiosity.

The resulting beastie is Dren, a tadpole-by-way of H.R Giger-esque female that becomes their surrogate child and potentially career derailing secret. But as the rapidly aging Dren (played in adult form by French starlet Delphine Cheneac) grows into womanhood, many changes — most of them more lethal than hormonal — take effect and their once treasured "daughter" becomes a sexually volatile siren from test-tube hell.

While ostensibly a creature feature (Dren's metamorphosis goes from adorable to repellent, just like many a human lifespan), the greatest strength of Splice is its deft fast forwarding of the parenthood experience.

Brody and Polley are excellent, running the arc of proud mom and pop, to concerned guardians, to ultimately losing touch and fearing their offspring.

If the film has a few pacing flaws (there are perhaps one too many extended sequences of Cheneac throwing a fit), Splice is just so blazingly weird, so perverse and compelling that you should forgive it any trespasses.

With any luck, this intelligent, delightfully deranged monster mash will be the one that propels the incredibly talented Natali from cult hero to sci-fi saviour.

• For a trailer of Splice, photos and screen times, visit metronews.ca/movies

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Two new projects for Mendes

Sam Mendes is keeping busy. The Revolutionary Road director is set to helm a stage musical based on Charlie And The Chocolate Factory and a film adaptation of Ian MacEwan's novel On Chesil Beach. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Reel Time

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Who let the dog out?

Marmaduke

Director: Tom Dey
Stars: Owen Wilson
Classification: G
Rating: ●●

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Based on the well-worn newspaper comic strip about a mischievous Great Dane, the big-screen version of Marmaduke feels just as played out as the 56-year-old cartoon.

Owen Wilson voices the Great Dane Marmaduke.

Perhaps its because we've seen the combination of computer effects and live action used to make every animal short of a hagfish appear to talk on film.

But more likely, it's because Marmaduke feels so much like another cartoon-turned-family flick: Garfield.

Not surprisingly then that the two films share at least one producer responsible for bringing the characters to cinematic life.

Presumably aimed at toddlers, Marmaduke tells the banal story of the Winslows, a suburban family that relocates to California with their oversized mutt (voiced by Owen Wilson) in order for neglectful (but not really) patriarch Phil to capitalize on a new opportunity.

While Phil begins his new gig for an organic pet food company, Marmaduke discovers that the canine playground he frequents is "like high school for dogs." No kidding.

The big mutt struggles for approval amongst the cliquey pups only to discover that being "top dog" isn't all its cracked up to be.

While the story is elementary at best and the more involved animation routine amongst other contemporary family fare, many younger kiddies will still giggle at seeing Marmaduke surf or hear the mutt's affable voice — even if Wilson's read is as bland as day-old kibble.

However, most depreciating is that Marmaduke is such a forgettable, mass-produced money-grab aimed at capitalizing on the familiar brand of an American-syndicated icon.

The real concern for producers should've been — who even reads Marmaduke in the first place anymore.

• For a trailer of Marmaduke, photos and screen times, visit metronews.ca/movies

Inspired by animation

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

FEATURE Few filmmakers working today offer audiences a vision as unique, bizarre, and oddly touching as Jean-Pierre Jeunet.

The visually expressive director began his career as a cartoonist before transitioning into movies with works like the cult oddity Delicatessen and the whimsical award-winning Amelie.

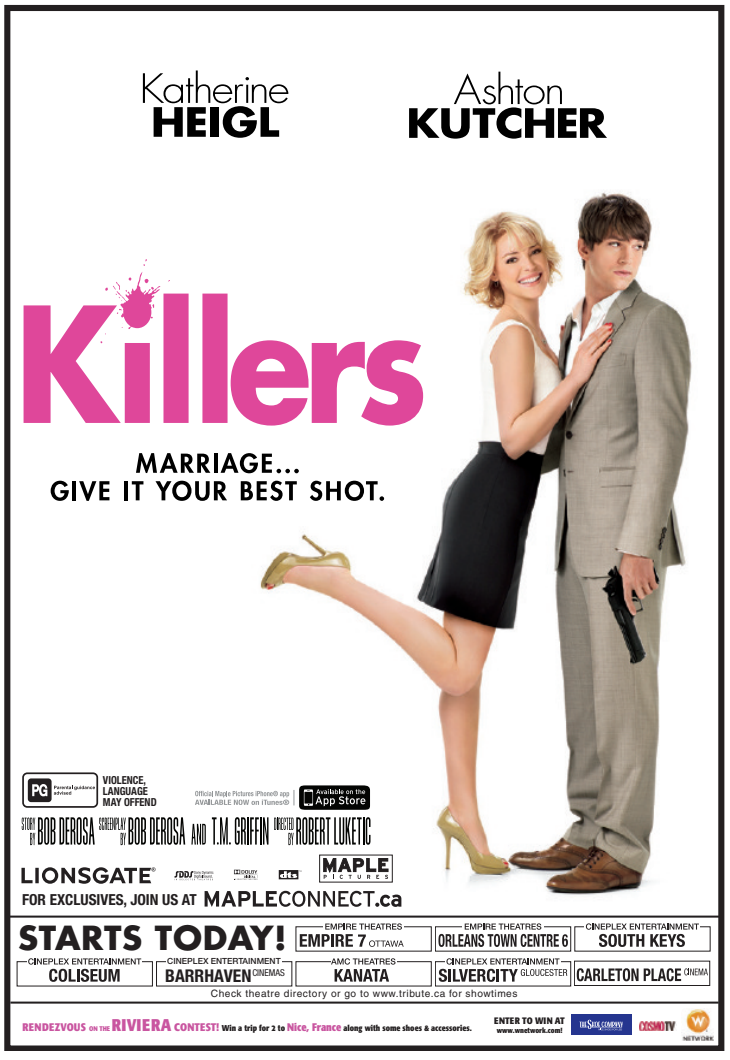
The latest movie from the eccentric French filmmaker is Micmacs (opening next week), a comedy about a band of garbage dump dwelling outsiders that is both an homage to silent film comedy and animation as well as an attack on international arms dealing.

Metro caught up with the beloved filmmaker when he brought Micmacs to TIFF 09. The film is the product of a distinctly French sensibility, but surprisingly, Jeunet admitted that the movie originated out of the frustration he felt working on two failed American projects.

"After A Very Long Engagement I was offered a Harry Potter movie," revealed Jeunet. "But everything was ready. The costumes and cast were already there. All I had to do was to put down the camera and say 'go.' Life is too short for that, so I tried to do Yann Martel's Life Of Pi instead. I spent two years working on it, but after a while it became too expensive. I decided to do another film."

The screenplay was also inspired by a rather surprising source.

"My main reference on this film was Pixar movies," admitted the director. "I love their work and I had the great privilege of taking a master class with them in San Francisco."



A Friend-ly cameo
Jennifer Aniston will do a cameo in Wes Craven's Scream 4, Star Magazine reports. Aniston says she is doing the role after being asked by former Friends co-star Courtney Cox. **IMDB.COM**

Splice director Vincenzo Natali says Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (starring Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet) is not as well known as it deserves to be.

Best of sci-fi (no Star Wars please)

InFocus
Richard Crouse
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Director Vincenzo Natali doesn't just make sci fi movies, he's also a fan. "True science fiction is about ideas. It's a mirror that reflects on the present," he says.

His latest film, Splice, starring Sarah Polley and Adrien Brody as scientists who create a mutant child — think Frankenstein spliced with Mommie Dearest — has echoes of a recent news story about scientists creating the first self-replicating synthetic life form.

"It's amazing how the science evolved parallel with the script," he says.

So who better to recommend a list of must-see sci-fi flicks? "I could mention 2001, Star Wars and The Matrix, but we've all been there," he says, adding "I think there are some very worthy science fiction films that aren't so well known."

First on his list is Stalker from master director Andrei Tarkovsky.

"It's about a zone in Russia that may have had some kind of alien visitation and is highly classified. There are very special people called stalkers who illegally enter the zone and can take you to a place where your wishes can come true.

"No other movie ever made is quite like it. It is one of the most beautiful films I've ever seen."

Next up is The 10th Victim, a futuristic Marcello Mastroianni movie about a deadly televised game called The Big Hunt which becomes a replacement for all conflict on Earth, but at what cost? "An Italian film made in the '60s but way ahead of its time," he says.

"It's a satirical comedy, absolutely brilliantly made, filled with cool futuristic Italian design and it's really funny. I cannot recommend it enough."

Third is the animated La Planète Sauvage. "It takes place on a planet where humans are pets for a race of large aliens. It's a kind of a Spartacus story against the aliens. Totally outrageous and very, very '70s."

In the fourth spot is Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind, the Jim Carrey movie Natali says is "not as well known as it deserves to be."

"Definitely a film about ideas and definitely also a science fiction film. A very emotional film; a masterpiece."

Lastly, it's a double bill from Japanese director Kinji Fukasaku.

Battle Royale, Natali says, is "outrageously violent" while The Green Slime is "total cheese but actually predates Alien as a story of a spaceship that is infected by an alien life form. It's lots of fun."

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the E! Channel; mrchaos33@hotmail.com.

Movie morsels

Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time

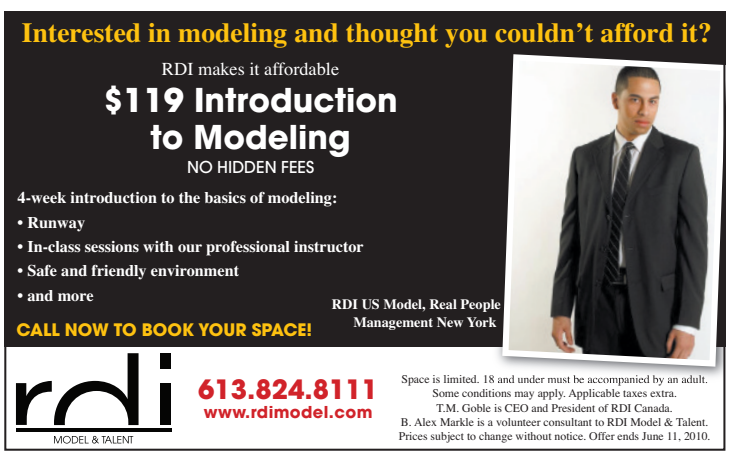
REVIEW In his first foray into action hero territory, Jake Gyllenhaal digs into the role of adopted Persian royal Dastan with gusto. The real appeal here are the set pieces, with thrilling rooftop chases and tense battles. While the film may stumble a bit, it's still exactly what a good summer movie should be.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News

Sex and the City 2

REVIEW Set two years after Carrie's (Sarah Jessica Parker) marriage in the first film, the Manhattan-based novelist becomes disillusioned by the fact Big (Chris Noth) is settling into domestic life. How fortunate then that she and the girls are invited by Samantha (Kim Cattrall) on a trip to Abu Dhabi to reflect on their respective crises.

Steve Gow/For Metro Canada



Screen Times

This week's new releases are highlighted in pink.

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OTTAWA

BYTOWNE CINEMA
325 Rideau St., 613-789-3456

Children of Secret (STC) Thu 6:45
Creation (PG) Fri 4:30 Sat 4:20 Sun 1:15
Mother and Child (STC) Fri 9:30 Sat 1:45-6:40 Sun 6:15 Mon 4 Tue 9:15 Wed 4-6:35 Thu 4
The Secret in Their Eyes (14A) Fri 6:50 Sat 9:15 Sun 3:35-8:50 Mon-Tue 6:35 Wed-Thu 9:10
Unforgiven (STC) Mon 9:15 Tue 3:50

CANADIAN FILM INSTITUTE
2 Daly Ave., Suite 120, 613-232-6727

A Matter of Size (STC) Sun 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Fri-Sat Mon-Thu

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE
240 McLeod St., 613-566-4700

Environment Week Film Festival (STC) Fri-Sun
The Great Salmon Run (STC) Fri 1:35-3:30-6 Sat-Wed 1:35-3:30 Thu 1:35-3:30-6 Fri 2:30-4:30-7 Sat-Wed 2:30-4:30 Thu 2:30-4:30-7
A Modern Castle: The Rebirth of the Canadian Museum of Nature (STC) Fri-Thu 12:30 Fri-Thu 1
Sea Otters: A Laid-Back Life (STC) Fri-Thu 10:30-11:30 Fri-Thu 11-12

CENTRETOWN MOVIES
Dundonald Park, 512 Somerset St. W., 613-232-1534, centretownmovies.org

Listings not available at press time.

COLISEUM OTTAWA
3090 Carling Ave., 613-596-9475

Get Him To The Greek (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:25-10:05 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:25-10:05
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:50-6:40-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:35
Killers (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:40-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Marmaduke (G) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:10-2:30-4:50-7:9:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:50-7:9:10
Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Raajneeti (STC) Fri-Sun 12:50-4:40-8:30 Mon-Thu 4:40-8:30
Robin Hood (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:40-6:50-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:50-9:55
Sex and the City 2 (18A) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-2:50-3:45-6:15-7:10-9:45-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:45-6:15-7:10-9:45-10:30
Shrek Forever After 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-1-2:40-4-5:05-6:30-7:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 4-5:05-6:30-7:30-9:10
Splice (18A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:50-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:50-10:25

EMPIRE 7 CINEMAS
111 Albert St., 3rd Floor, World Exchange Plaza, 613-233-0209

Get Him To The Greek (14A) No Passes Fri 3:50-6:45-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-6:45-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:50-6:45-9:30
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:40-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:20
Killers (PG) Fri 4:6:50-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:40-4-6:50-9:35 Mon-Thu 4-6:50-9:35
Robin Hood (PG) Fri 3:30-6:35-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:30-6:35-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:35-9:25
Rush: Beyond the Lighted Stage (STC) Thu 7
Sex and the City 2 (18A) Fri 3:20-4:20-6:30-7:30-9:40 Sat-Sun 12-1-3:20-4:20-6:30-7:30-9:40 Mon-Tue 3:20-4:20-6:30-7:30-9:40 Wed-Thu 3:20-4:20-7:30-9:40
Shrek Forever After (PG) Fri 4:10-7:9:45 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:10-7:9:45 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:9:45

MAYFAIR THEATRE
1074 Bank St., 613-730-3403, mayfair-movie.com

1941 (14A) Tue 9:25
The Ghost Writer (PG) Fri 9:30 Sat-Sun 7 Mon 9:30
Heavy Metal (STC) Sun 9:30
Jaws (14A) Sat 3:30 Tue 7
Repo Men (18A) Sat 11:45
The Runaways (14A) Sat 9:30 Wed 9:55 Thu 9:30
Sex and the City (18A) Wed 7
The Shark Is Still Working (STC) Fri 7 Sat 1
The Thank You Girls (STC) Mon 7
Tintorera... Bloody Waters (STC) Fri 11:55

OTTAWA FAMILY CINEMA
710 Broadview Ave., 613-722-8218, familycinema.ca

Listings not available at press time.

RAINBOW CINEMAS
St. Laurent Centre, 1200 St. Laurent Blvd., 613-688-0850

Babies (G) Fri-Thu 12:35-2:30-4:30
The Back-up Plan (PG) Fri-Thu 10:30-6:40-9
Clash of the Titans (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10-12:10-2:20-4:40-7-9:10
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-2:50-4:50-6:50
Furry Vengeance (G) Fri-Thu 10:40-3:15-5:15
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri-Thu 10-8:50
How to Train Your Dragon (PG) Fri-Thu 10:20-12:25-2:40-5-7:15-9:20
The Last Song (PG) Fri-Thu 1-7:10-9:25

RIDEAU CENTRE CINEMAS
50 Rideau St., 613-234-3712

Marmaduke (G) SDDS Digital Fri 4:15-6:30-9:10 SDDS Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-6:30-9:10 SDDS Digital Mon-Thu 4:15-6:30-9:10
Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri 3:45-6:45-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 1-3:45-6:45-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 3:45-6:45-9:20
Splice (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4-7-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:15-4-7-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30

SOUTH KEYS
2214 Bank St., 613-736-1115

Get Him To The Greek (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:05-1:40-4:20-7:15-9:55
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 10:15-1:15-4:05-7:10-10
Killers (PG) Fri-Thu 10:50-1:20-4-6:45-9:30
Marmaduke (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:40-1:25-3:55-6:55-9:25
Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:20-11:20-1:30-2:30-4:10-5:30-7-8:30-9:40
Robin Hood (PG) Fri-Thu 11:15-2:45-6:40-9:50
Sex and the City 2 (18A) No Passes Fri-Sun 10:25-1-1:50-4:25-6:20-8-9:45 No Passes Mon 10:25-1-1:50-4:25-8-9:45 No Passes Tue 10:25-1-1:50-4:25-6:20-8-9:45 No Passes Wed 10:25-1-1:50-4:25-8-9:45 No Passes Thu 10:25-1-1:50-4:25-6:20-8-9:45
Shrek Forever After 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 10:30-11:30-1:10-2:10-3:40-4:40-6:35-8:10-9:20
Splice (18A) Fri-Thu 11-1:45-4:30-7:25-10:05

GATINEAU

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF CIVILIZATION
100 rue Laurier, 819-776-7010

Avatar 3D (G) Fri 8:20 Sat 8:45 Sun 7:35 Thu 9:05 Sun 4:30
Cavaliers du Monde (STC) Fri 4:10 Mon-Thu 4:20
Coral Reef Adventure (STC) Sat-Sun 12:05 Mon 5:20 Tue 5:20-8 Wed 7 Thu 5:20
Coraux du Pacifique (STC) Sat 1:05 Mon 7 Tue 9:45 Thu 7
Les Dauphins (STC) Sun 1:10 Wed 9:30-8 Thu 9:45
Dolphins (STC) Sat 5:05 Sun 2:15 Mon 8 Tue 7 Wed 5:20 Thu 8
Requins 3D (STC) Fri 1 Sat 4:10 Sun 9:50 Mon-Thu 1:10

Rumpelstiltskin has a showdown with everyone's favourite ogre.

Ride Around the World (STC) Fri 3:10 Sat 3:05 Sun-Wed 3:20
Sharks 3D (STC) Fri 9-10-11-12-2-5:20 Sat 9:55-11-5:15 Sun 11 Mon-Thu 11-12:05-2:15
U2 3D (STC) Fri 6:30 Sat 7 Mon-Wed 9:05

CINÉ-CAMPUS UQO
283 rue St-Jean-Bosco, 819-773-1888

CINÉMA DES GALERIES D'AYLMER
400 boul. Wilfrid-Lavigne, 819-248-2526

Iron Man 2 (G) Fri-Sun 12:40-6:40 Mon 6:40 Tue 12:40-6:40 Wed-Thu 6:40
Killers (G) Fri-Sun 12:50-3-6:50-9 Mon 6:50 Tue 12:50-3-6:50-9 Wed-Thu 6:50-9
Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (STC) Fri-Sun 1-3:30-7-9:30 Mon 7 Tue 1-3:30-7-9:30 Wed-Thu 7-9:30
Robin Hood (G) Fri-Sun 3:20-9:20 Tue 3:20-9:20 Wed-Thu 9:20
Shrek Forever After 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:20-7:10-9:20 Mon 7:10 Tue 1:10-3:20-7:10-9:20 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:20

CINÉ-STARZ
1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

Alice au pays des merveilles (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:55-3:50 Mon-Thu 12-3:40-5:35
La Dernière Chanson (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:55-5:40 Mon-Thu 12-3:45-5:40
Dragons (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:40-3:20-5:05-6:45 Mon-Thu 12-1:40-3:20-6:45
Les Griffes de la Nuit (13+) Fri-Sun 5:45-7:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 1:55-5:45-7:30-9:15
Lettres à Juliette (G) Fri-Sun 3:50-7:35-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:55-7:35-9:25
Losers (G) Fri-Sun 9:15 Mon-Thu 5:8:45
Millenium 3: La Reine Dans le Palais des Courants d'Airs (13+) Fri-Sun 5 Mon-Thu 8:30
Petite Vengeance Poilue (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:40-3:20-7:35 Mon-Thu 12-1:35-7
Le Plan B (G) Fri-Sun 8:25 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:05

CINÉ-PARC TEMPLETON DRIVE-IN
1779 boul. Maloney Est, 819-663-0915

Date Night (G) Fri-Sun
La Dernière Chanson (G) Fri-Sun
Marmaduke (STC) Fri-Sun
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon-Thu
Prince of Persia - Les Sables du Temps (STC) Fri-Sun

GATINEAU 9
120 boul. de l'Hôpital, 819-568-6070

Iron Man 2 (G) Fri 9:35 Sat-Sun 3:10-9:35 Mon 9:35 Tue 3:10-9:35 Wed-Thu 9:35
L'Enfant Prodige (G) Fri 7:15-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:20-7:15-9:30 Mon 7:15-9:30 Tue 12:50-3:20-7:15-9:30 Wed-Thu 7:15-9:30
Marmaduke (STC) No Passes Fri 7:10-9:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-2:30-4:30-7:10-9:10 No Passes Mon 7:10-9:10 No Passes Tue 12:20-2:30-4:30-7:10-9:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 7:10-9:10
Micmacs à Tire-Larigot (STC) Fri 6:30-9 Sat-Sun 1:15-3:50-6:30-9 Mon 6:30-9 Tue 1:15-3:50-6:30-9 Wed 9:30 Thu 6:30-9
Nouvelle Espèce (13+) Fri 7:25-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:40-7:25-9:45 Mon 7:25-9:45 Tue 1:10-3:40-7:25-9:45 Wed-Thu 7:25-9:45
Prince of Persia - Les Sables du Temps (STC) No Passes Fri 7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1-3:45-7-9:40 No Passes Mon 7-9:40 No Passes Tue 1-3:45-7-9:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 7-9:40
Robin des bois (G) Fri 6:40 Sat-Sun 12:10-6:40 Mon 6:40 Tue 12:10-6:40 Wed-Thu 6:40
Sexe à New York 2 (STC) No Passes Fri 6:20-9:15 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:25-6:20-9:15 No Passes Mon 6:20-9:15 No Passes Tue 12:30-3:25-6:20-9:15 No Passes Wed-Thu 6:20-9:15
Shrek 4, Il Etait une Fin 3D (STC) Fri 7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 12-2:15-4:25-7:20-9:50 Mon 7:20-9:50 Tue 12-2:15-4:25-7:20-9:50 Wed-Thu 7:20-9:50
Tuer Pour Aimer (G) Fri 6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:40-3-6:50-9:20 Mon 6:50-9:20 Tue 12:40-3-6:50-9:20 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:20

STARCITÉ HULL
115 boul. du Plateau, 819-770-1090, cinemasfortune.ca

Get Him To The Greek (13+) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:55-3:45-7:45-10:20 No Passes Mon 1:25-4-7:45-10:05 No Passes Tue 1:25-4-7:45-10:20 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:25-4-7:45-10:05
Iron Man 2 (G) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:30-7:30-10:25 Mon 12:50-3:45-7:30-10:10 Tue 12:50-3:45-7:30-10:25 Wed-Thu 12:50-3:45-7:30-10:10
Killers (G) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-7-9:30 Mon 1:40-4:05-7-9:15 Tue 1:40-4:05-7-9:30 Wed-Thu 1:40-4:05-7-9:15
L'Enfant Prodige (G) Fri-Sun 1-4-6:30-8:55 Mon 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:40 Tue 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:55 Wed-Thu 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:40
Letters to Juliet (G) Fri-Sun 1:05-4:10-6:40-9:10
Marmaduke (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:40-2:55-5:10-7:40-9:50 No Passes Mon 1:10-3:10-7:40-9:35 No Passes Tue 1:10-3:10-7:40-9:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:10-3:10-7:40-9:35 No Passes Fri-Sun 12-2:15-4:30-7:20-9:40 No Passes Mon 12:30-2:30-7:20-9:25 No Passes Tue 12:30-2:30-7:20-9:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:30-2:30-7:20-9:25
Prince of Persia - Les Sables du Temps (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:35-3:20-7:10-10:10 No Passes Mon 1:05-3:35-7:10-9:55 No Passes Tue 1:05-3:35-7:10-10:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:05-3:35-7:10-9:55
Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:35-7:35-10:30 No Passes Mon 1:20-3:50-7:35-10:15 No Passes Tue 1:20-3:50-7:35-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:20-3:50-7:35-10:15
Robin Hood (G) Fri-Sun 12:10-3:15-6:55-10:05 Mon 12:40-3:30-6:55-9:50 Tue 12:40-3:30-6:55-10:05 Wed-Thu 12:40-3:30-6:55-9:50
Sex and the City 2 (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-12:45-3:40-3:55-6:50-7:05-10:10-15 No Passes Tue 1-1:15-3:55-4:10-6:50-7:05-9:45-10 No Passes Wed 1-1:15-3:55-4:10-6:50-7:05-9:45-10 No Passes Thu 1-3:55-4:10-6:50-7:05-9:45-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 12:45
Sexe à New York 2 (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:15-3:25-6:45-9:55 No Passes Mon 12:45-3:40-6:45-9:40 No Passes Tue 12:45-3:40-6:45-9:55 No Passes Wed 12:45-3:40-6:45-9:40 No Passes Thu 3:40-6:45-9:40 No Passes Thu 12:15
Shrek 4, Il Etait une Fin 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12:25-2:45-5:05-7:25-9:45 Mon 12:55-3:7:25-9:30 Tue 12:55-3-7:25-9:45 Wed-Thu 12:55-3-7:25-9:30
Shrek Forever After 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12:05-2:25-4:45-7:15-9:35 Mon 12:35-2:40-7:15-9:20 Tue 12:35-2:40-7:15-9:35 Wed-Thu 12:35-2:40-7:15-9:20
Splice (13+) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:35-9:05 Mon 1:45-4:20-6:35-8:50 Tue 1:45-4:20-6:35-9:05 Wed-Thu 1:45-4:20-6:35-8:50

BARRHAVEN

BARRHAVEN CINEMAS
131 Riocan Dr., 613-825-2463

Get Him To The Greek (14A) No Passes Fri 6:40-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:50-4-6:40-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:40-8:20
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri 7:30-10:20 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:20 Mon-Thu 6-8:50
Killers (PG) Fri 7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:10
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Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (PG) No Passes Fri 7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:10-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:50-8:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Sex and the City 2 (18A) No Passes Fri 7-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:10-8:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Shrek Forever After 3D (PG) Fri 6:30-9 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 5:30-8

GLOUCESTER

SILVERCITY
2385 City Park Dr., 613-688-8800

Get Him To The Greek (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:35-10:20
Iron Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:05-10:15
Just Wright (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:30-7:40-10:05
Killers (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:35-6:35-9:35
Letters to Juliet (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:20-8:50
Marmaduke (G) No Passes Fri-Tue 1:25-4:35-7:15-9:50 No Passes Wed 4:35-7:15-9:50 No Passes Thu 1:25-4:35-7:15-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
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Robin Hood (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:55-6:55-9:55
Sex and the City 2 (18A) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:30-1:05-2:3-40-4:20-5:15-6:40-7:20-8:30-9:45-10:30 No Passes Wed 12:30-2-3:40-4:20-5:15-6:40-7:20-8:30-9:45-10:30 No Passes Thu 12:30-1:05-2-3:40-4:20-5:15-6:40-7:20-8:30-9:45-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Shrek Forever After 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-1:30-3:10-4:40-5:35-7:30-8-10-10:25
Shrek Forever After: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:30
Splice (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:25-7:10-10:10

ORLEANS

EMPIRE THEATRES ORLEANS 6 CINEMAS
3752 Innes Rd., 613-830-4400

Get Him To The Greek (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Sun 1:50-4:30-7:20-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Mon 4:30-7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Tue 1:50-4:30-7:20-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Wed-Thu 4:30-7:15-9:45
Iron Man 2 (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Sun 1:15-4-6:45-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon 4:10-7-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital Tue 1:15-4-6:45-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 4:10-7-9:40
Killers (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Sun 1:10-3:40-6:30-9:10 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon 4:15-7:10-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital Tue 1:10-3:40-6:30-9:10 Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 4:15-7:10-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 11
L'Enfant Prodige (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Sun 7:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon 6:40 Dolby Stereo Digital Tue 7:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Wed-Thu 6:40
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Top albums on the Billboard 200

1. Glee: The Music, Volume 3: Showstoppers, Glee Cast; 2. Stone Temple Pilots, Stone Temple Pilots; 3. My World 2.0, Justin Bieber; 4. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum; 5. Raymond V Raymond, Usher. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Music

National storms the charts

Indie act finds success on both sides of the border

CAM LINDSAY
for Metro Canada

One week after learning his band's new album became the second and third best-selling in Canada and the U.S., respectively, drummer Bryan Devendorf is still at a loss for words.

"It's weird," he says. "We're definitely not a mainstream band that would be thought of on the same level as Justin Bieber."

As he's quick to point out, the new National album, High Violet, did slip a number of spots in its second week of release, but Devendorf and his bandmates have a lot to celebrate after more than a decade together.

The indie band's profile has seen a significant rise over the course of five critically acclaimed albums. Their last, 2007's Boxer, was unavoidable in the music press and on television, where its songs graced every show from Chuck and Gossip Girl to Barack Obama's campaign video. Despite this exposure, Devendorf still feels The National benefit most from grassroots exposure.

"It's word of mouth, but also with that encompasses the Internet, which helps," he explains. "It could also be just perseverance, we've been doing this for ten years now. It's like in politics, you hang around long enough and then you can run for President."

Like any wise politician, The National haven't changed many policies in the last decade. Meticulously co-produced with Peter Katis (Jónsi, Interpol), High Violet stays true to the Brooklyn band's dependable model of evocative and forlorn rock. Yes, they still sound depressed, a description that follows them like a bad smell.

"People bring their own interpretations — they might be depressed themselves or they might identify with elements," Devendorf says. "There is a lot of accuracy to that. But it's also depressive in how black humour can be depressive, it's not maudlin. It's humorously depressive."

Devendorf feels the mood and sound of the album may not sound like a big stretch from Boxer but it wasn't planned that way. "While it's still kind of orchestral and lush, the album is a little more straightforward and the core songwriting is simpler.

"We produce ourselves along with Peter Katis, so it's kind of this team that does a similar thing," he adds. "We were trying to do something different. We have this sort of tic where the songs all start smoldering into this peak and become an epic thing. I think we might just try to write songs that don't have verses and choruses. At least we say we will, but we probably actually won.'"

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1. To The Sea, Jack Johnson; 2. Exile on Main Street, The Rolling Stones; 3. Glee: The Music, Volume 3: Showstoppers, Glee Cast; 4. Brothers, The Black Keys; 5. High Violet, The National. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Born Ruffians speak their minds

CAM LINDSAY
for Metro Canada

A lot has happened to Toronto's Born Ruffians in the two years since they dropped their debut album, but Luke Lalonde refuses to compare his band's communication breakdown to the one Metallica famously documented in its film Some Kind of Monster.

"The fact that they would go to a therapist and couldn't just work things out, that s— is hilarious," singer/guitarist says with laughter. "Their issues were bulls—! We just talked to each other. It just helped for someone to say what the problems were. It was nice to talk about everything."

After drummer Steve Hamelin gave up on touring with the band, Lalonde and bassist Mitch Derosier were left to rebuild. Hamelin stayed on to record, but was replaced by Ahmed Gallab for a Franz Ferdinand tour, which also saw the addition of now full-time multi-instrumentalist Andy Lloyd.

"We said, 'Let's finish this and keep our sound as a band. Then play it by ear,'" explains Lalonde. "After we finished recording, Steve told us he wanted to give it another try. The timing was perfect because Ahmed was moving on to work with Yeasayer and we needed to find another drummer."

The title of the sprightly indie rockers' new album Say It is a reference to their new philosophy to speak their minds. "A lot of the air had been cleared of those things that built up over time but were really nothing," Lalonde admits. "Things were just a little more chilled out, which was really reflected the songwriting."

Say It isn't just more chilled, it's also a giant mature leap from the youthful exuberance of 2008's Red Yellow and Blue. The band has ripened and stripped down their arrangements, losing the vigorous, trademark group chants and those blatant left turns that were often a "make or break" scenario for listeners.

Say It is the new album from Born Ruffians.

"We used to do that intentionally," Lalonde says of their spontaneous melodic disruptions. "We wanted to subvert the obvious and make people perk up. This record we actually said out loud, 'Let's do what feels like the pop thing to do.' Ultimately that's more fun. But I'm learning that maybe we're doomed to become that kind of FM radio band."

Part of the fun included Lalonde giving Say It some sax appeal. "It's only prominent on one song, and we scaled the others back as more of a textural thing. Initially I wanted — I'm not joking — a straight-up, rock sax solo. It never worked out. I think it would have been on the wrong side of good taste."

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Rolling Stone rebuttal

SoundCheck

Alan Cross

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Last week, Rolling Stone trotted out another of its 500 Greatest Songs of All Time lists. The list is suspiciously similar (and for some stretches — including the top 10 — completely identical) to a list issued in December 2004.

If you haven't seen it yet, I'll save you the trouble. Here's the top five: 1. Like a Rolling Stone, Bob Dylan; 2. (I Can't Get No) Satisfaction/Rolling Stones (Hmm. The top two songs mention "Rolling Stone"); 3. Imagine, John Lennon; 4. What's Going On, Marvin Gaye; and 5. Respect, Aretha Franklin.

Without question, these are fine songs. But in Rolling Stone's view — a magazine mired in the '60s and '70s — no one has been able to write a better rock song since John Lennon woke up one morning and plunked out Imagine before breakfast. That was 39 years ago.

The most recent song is Nirvana's Smells Like Teen Spirit at No. 9. The rest of the list is dominated by the usual RS suspects: The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, Elvis Presley and The Beach Boys.

If I were King of the Lists, my top 10 would be substantially more ecumenical. I'd include One from U2 (RS has it at No. 36), Sweet Child O' Mine by Guns 'N Roses (No. 198), Radiohead's Fake Plastic Trees (No. 385) and Killing in the Name Of/Rage Against the Machine — which inexplicably didn't even make the cut, apparently so that 99 Problems by Jay-Z and Do Ya Think I'm Sexy from Rod Stewart could.

I'd also make sure that London Calling from the Clash (RS's No. 15) and the Sex Pistols' Anarchy in the UK (No. 56) was in there, too. Zeppelin's Kashmir should surely rank higher than No. 141. There's no way you can't have Bob Marley's Get Up, Stand Up in any top 10, yet RS thinks it's worth just No. 302. And Nirvana can stay in the top 10. I might even argue for some White Stripes.

The top two songs on Rolling Stone's list of the 500 Greatest Songs of All Time mention "Rolling Stone." Bob Dylan's Like a Rolling Stone tops the list.

And my No. 1? I've long maintained that the greatest rock song of all time is Won't Get Fooled Again by The Who. Timeless social/political commentary? Check. Energy quotient? Off the charts. Awesome scream? Maybe the best ever recorded. Does it still sound fresh? Absolutely. And where does Rolling Stone rank it? No. 134. Please.

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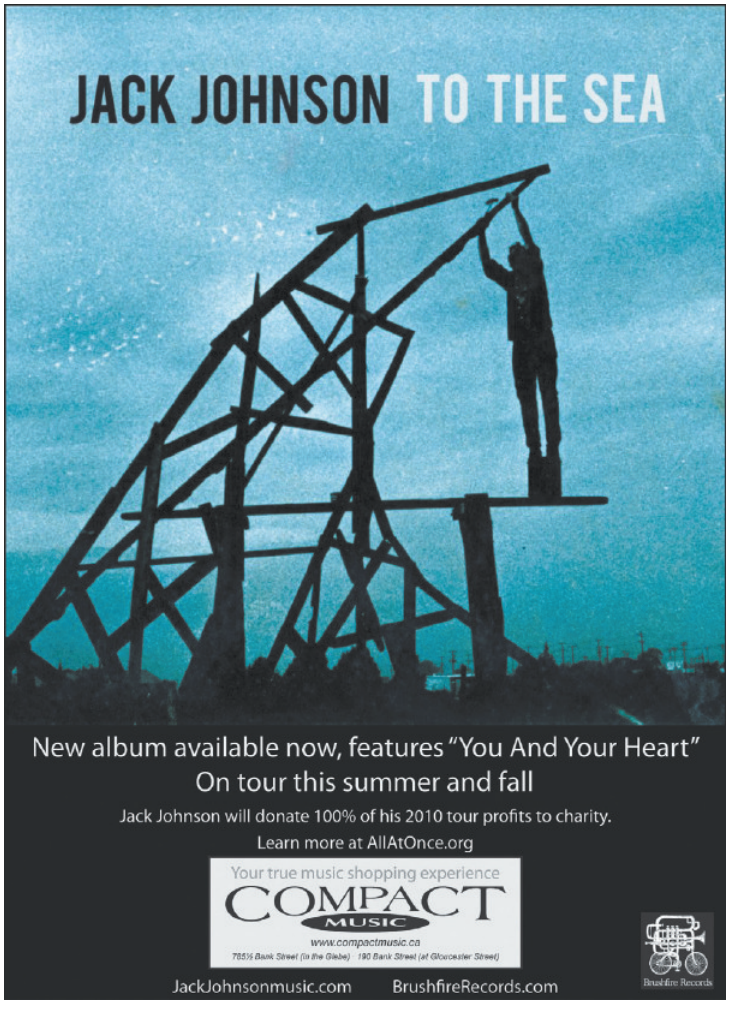

Coleman's partner had authority to take him off life support

A spokeswoman for a Utah hospital says Gary Coleman's partner Shannon Price had the authority to take the former child TV star off life support. Coleman died from a brain hemorrhage Friday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Television

Ansari set to shine at MTV Movie Awards

ROBYN VAN SWANK

Parks and Recreation star Aziz Ansari might not be the biggest name to host the MTV Movie Awards but his background in stand-up and sketch comedy has prepared him well for the task.

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada

The big question about this year's MTV Movie Awards isn't who is nominated but who is Aziz Ansari and why is he hosting the show?

"I am a comedian. I'm an actor. And I can also get you a good deal on a brand new KIA," explains Ansari, who is probably best known as the always-scheming Tom Haverford on TV's Parks and Recreation.

"I think they (MTV producers) were under the impress I was a Jonas Brother."

Maybe so. Though it may also have been Ansari's stand-up comedy, his work on the MTV sketch series Human Giant, and small roles in recent features like Funny People and Observe and Report that got him the gig.

Truth is, the show's raucous, anything-goes, live atmosphere is a perfect stage for a comic used to surviving on his feet.

"I'm excited to do the show. It's really a great honor," says Ansari. "When you look at the previous hosts (which include Ben Stiller, Eddie Murphy and Sarah Silverman). I mean, it's real good company to be in."

The MTV Movie Awards air live Sunday night

Though he has yet to begin writing material, Ansari says that because the awards are all about movies (top nominees include Avatar, The Hangover and The Twilight Saga: New Moon), it can write itself.

"You can't ask for anything more than a movie show. It's ridiculous fodder to react to," he says.

"To prepare myself, I'm trying to get one with the audience. I've pasted a picture of (Twilight's) Robert Pattison on my ceiling and just stare at it."

Ansari says the best bits in previous years tended to be "moments we couldn't possibly plan". Indeed, one does wonder if the actually awards — which include such new categories as Best Badass Star and Best Scared-As-S—t Performance — even matter at the end of the day.

"Wait till you see someone win the Best Global Superstar Award. They do matter," Ansari insists.

As for whether we'll get an appearance by Ansari's Parks and Rec character Tom Haverford.

"Anything can happen," says Ansari. "I think Tom would be handing out flyers to the after party at some seedy dive."

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'Retro wives' bring back classic style

The ineffable cool and razor-sharp stylings of international TV hit Mad Men reminded the world just what a classic era the 1950s and 1960s was.

But for a certain type of person this came as no surprise. They are known as 'retro wives' and they cherish the old times, the colorful houses, black and white TVs, the outlandish cars, and values most 21st century women would see as, well, mad.

Joanne Massey (aka Lola Lamour) lives in Birmingham, north-west England, in a house that resembles a 1950s time capsule, with a black and white TV, stone fireplace, over-bright decoration and posters of old films.

"Everything modern just seems bland to me in comparison. I couldn't imagine driving anything but my Ford Anglia," she said in a blog dedicated to people known as "timewarpians."

She takes pride in being an "old-school housewife", cooking for her husband, Kevin, and keeping the house immaculate.

But Massey also holds three demanding jobs, including a successful singing career performing in wartime events across the country almost every weekend.

"When I was young, I would watch all the old stars singing in the movies and dreaming that I could be like that one day," said the timewarpian.

Massey is not alone in her quest for the old days.

Carmen Johnson is a retro artist and journalist who has been following the lives of people like Massey for years. She grew up in Miami in the 1970s but wishes she could have lived through the 1950s.

Joanne Massey (Lola Lamour)

"I feel I was born in the wrong time. I like the '70s but not as much as the '40s and the '50s, I love the elegance, the fashion and the music. But retro living is not only exterior but about old-school values. This world that we live in, everything is hectic, everything is in a rush and people stop having that communication with each other," she told Metro.

Johnson dresses vintage most of the time. Her website called timewarpwives.blogspot.com features everything from shopping tips to home cleaning advice and ideas to find the perfect job — all in 1940s and 1950s style.

The artist says the thing people ask her the most is how retro wives live without today's technology but most believe it is possible to combine the old and the new.

"I find that most retro wives need technology. I spoke to this woman who lives like in the 1940s but she has a computer and buys her retro things on eBay. Some say they hide certain electronics because they don't combine well with the rest of the décor."

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The hit TV show Mad Men has inspired some people to bring back to retro styles from the 1950s and '60s.

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Groups upset over cartoon about Jesus Christ

A group of religious and conservative leaders says it will urge Comedy Central's advertisers not to support a proposed new cartoon entitled JC that puts Jesus Christ in a modern-day context. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Golden Girl' McClanahan dies

Rue McClanahan, the Emmy-winning actress who brought the sexually liberated Southern belle Blanche Devereaux to life on the hit TV series The Golden Girls, has died. She was 76.

Her manager Barbara Lawrence said McClanahan died Thursday at 1 a.m. of a stroke.

She had undergone treatment for breast cancer in 1997 and later lectured to cancer support groups on "aging gracefully." In 2009, she had heart bypass surgery.

McClanahan had an active career in off-Broadway and regional stages in the 1960s before she was tapped for TV in the 1970s for the key best-friend character on the hit series Maude, starring Beatrice Arthur.

Rue McClanahan

But her most loved role came in 1985 when she co-starred with Arthur, Betty White and Estelle Getty in The Golden Girls, a runaway hit that broke the sitcom mould by focusing on the foibles of four aging — and frequently eccentric — women living together in Miami.

Golden Girls aimed to show "that when people mature, they add layers," she told The New York Times in 1985. "They don't turn into other creatures. The truth is we all still have our child, our adolescent, and your young woman living in us."

McClanahan snagged an Emmy for her work on the show in 1987. In an Associated Press interview that year, McClanahan said Blanche was unlike any other role she had ever played.

"Probably the closest I've ever done was Blanche DuBois in A Streetcar Named Desire at the Pasadena Playhouse," she said. "I think, too, that's where the name came from, although my character is not a drinker and not crazy."

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CTV to air Conan two hours later than U.S. broadcaster

TALK SHOW Canadians will be able to see Conan O'Brien's new talk show this fall — but they might have to stay up pretty late to do so.

CTV announced this morning that it will air O'Brien's new show at 1 a.m. — a full two hours after Americans will be able to watch it on TBS.

A spokesman for CTV said that the late-night program, which will debut in November, will also air on the Comedy Network, but said that time slot has yet to be determined.

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	216	395	14	OMN2	Nations	Trendy Zone	*Connected* ★★ (2008, Suspense) Louis Koo, Barbie Hsu.				Once Upon a Time in Toronto		Nations
	214	344	15	CITY	Cooking	Most Amazing	Four Seasons-Isadore Sharp		*Snowman's Pass* (2004, Suspense), Marc Singer (DVS)				Crusoe
	218	345	18	CHCH	Mac Kids Miracles Big and Small			*The Black Stallion* ★★★ (1979, Adventure) Kelly Reno, Mickey Rooney.					News at 11
	-	361	20	ABC	News	Paid Program	The Bachelorette (HDTV)				Castle (HDTV)		News
	-	365	36	FOX	News	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	Cops	America's Most Wanted		FOX2 News at 10:00pm (N)		Wanda Sykes
news	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Toxic Towns USA		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Toxic Towns
sports	406	417	27	net	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Baltimore Orioles. (HDTV) (Live)						Saturday Night Poker		Sportsnet
	126	730	28	RDI	Journal	109 (SC)	L'Afrique en marche (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Grands reportages (SC)		Tout	Le Téléjournal
	400	280	30	TSN	NASCAR Racing Nationwide Series: Federated Auto Parts 300. From Nashville Superspeedway in Lebanon, Tenn.								SportsCentre
family	554	544	48	TEL	*Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit* (2005)				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel
	557	540	51	FAM	Wingin' It	*Starstruck* (2010, Drama)			*City Slickers* ★★★ (1991, Comedy)			*Superman II* (1980)	
	551	542	65	YTV	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Zixx Level	Adrenaline
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	(5:30) *Lethal Weapon 2*		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
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	616	521	39	SHO	ReGenesis (HDTV)		*Dark Storm* (2006, Science Fiction) Stephen Baldwin.				*Superbad* ★★★ (2007, Comedy)		
	520	505	42	DIS	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Canada's Worst Handyman		Deadliest Catch		Destroyed	Destroyed	Breaking Point
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	522	506	55	HIS	The Real Treasure Island		Ancients Behaving Badly		*Vantage Point* ★★ (2008, Suspense) Dennis Quaid.				Plot to Kill
	603	561	95	FN	Road Grill	Road Grill	I Do-Let's Eat!	I Do-Let's Eat!	Chopped		Top Chef Masters		Nightmares

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6/6/10	265	353	2	TVO	Islands of Britain		A Boy Called Alex		A Touch of Frost "If Dogs Run Free"			Tagged	View From Hr
	211	331	3	GTV	16:9-Picture	Family	The Simpsons	Cleveland	Family Guy	American Dad	American Dad	Tucson	News Hour
	209	342	6	CHRO	TMZ (N)		Cold Case (HDTV)		*Solaris* ★★★ (2002, Science Fiction) George Clooney.				In Fashion
	196	311	7	CTV	Degrassi	Degrassi	*Foolproof* ★★ (2003, Suspense), David Suchet (DVS)				Flashpoint (DVS)		CTV News
primetime	208	303	8	CBC	Laughs	Hockey Night	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Final, Game 5 -- Philadelphia Flyers at Chicago Blackhawks.						National
	-	360	9	NBC	Harry Potter	Dateline NBC	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Final, Game 5 -- Philadelphia Flyers at Chicago Blackhawks.						News
	-	362	13	CBS	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		Medium (HDTV)		The Good Wife (HDTV)		Cold Case (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
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	-	361	20	ABC	Jimmy Kimmel	NBA	NBA Basketball Finals, Game 2 -- Boston Celtics at Los Angeles Lakers.						News
	-	365	36	FOX	'Til Death (N)	Tucson	The Simpsons	Cleveland	Family Guy	American Dad	FOX2 News at 10:00pm (N)		Sportsworks
news	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Toxic Childhood		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Toxic
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	520	505	42	DIS	Life "Insects" (N)		Life Animals and plants.		Life "Making of Life" (N)		MythBusters Lethal littering.		A. Bourdain
	581	566	53	MTV	The Challenge: Fresh Meat II		Jersey Shore-Movie Awards		2010 MTV Movie Awards Host Aziz Ansari. (Live)				Movie Awards
	522	506	55	HIS	Ice Road Truckers (HDTV)		Bloody Normandy		*Saving Private Ryan* ★★★★ (1998, War) Tom Hanks.				
	603	561	95	FN	Challenge		Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Iron Chef America		Dinner	Dinner	Restaurant

'World's Ugliest Dog' dies

Miss Ellie, a small, bug-eyed Chinese Crested Hairless dog whose pimples and lolling tongue helped her win Animal Planet's World's Ugliest Dog contest in 2009, has died at age 17. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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When: Sunday
Where: Orleans

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Car wash for CHEO

When: Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Lincoln Fields Shopping Centre

The Professional Firefighters Association is hosting a car wash and a barbecue for CHEO. All money raised will be donated to the CHEO Telethon, also being held this weekend.

Bike-in Movie Night

When: Friday, 8:30 p.m.
Where: Strathcona Park

Held in support of the Pin It for the Planet campaign. Attendees will also have a chance to win bike-related prizes.

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When: Saturday & Sunday
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Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Howie Mandel

TV It looks like the Canadian comedian is still at the top of his game. His show Deal Or No Deal is still going strong, and his newest gig, as a judge on America's Got Talent, is also paying off. The show, now in its fourth season, had strong ratings when it premiered this week.

2 Club Dead

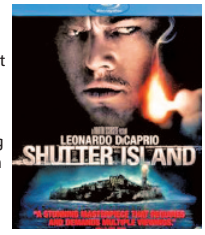
BOOK The third season of True Blood premieres on HBO Canada later this month, and to mark the occasion Penguin has re-released Charlaine Harris' third novel in the Sookie Stackhouse series, Club Dead. The new season is based on the novel, which sees heroine Sookie travel to Mississippi in search of her missing vampire lover, Bill.

3 Splice Yourself

INTERNET More Victor Frankenstein than Gregor Mendel, the Net has a new application that allows you to "splice" a photo of yourself. The application is based on the new Sarah Polley and Adrian Brody film about scientists who splice DNA from different animals together to create a new species. It is in theatres this weekend. splicethefilm.com.

4 Shutter Island

DVD Martin Scorsese and Leonardo DiCaprio's latest collaboration is being released on Tuesday. The film sees DiCaprio play a U.S. marshal investigating the disappearance of a woman from a hospital for the criminally insane on Shutter Island.



5 Soccer T-shirt

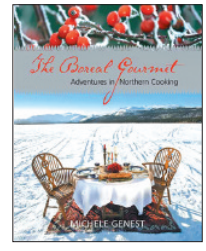
SPORTS A new ad from the Dutch Football Federation is causing a bit of a commotion on the Internet, and daring men to show off their chests. It features an orange T-shirt that has the face of a screaming soccer player printed on the inside. When the model in the ad pulls the front of his shirt over his head, the athlete's face covers his own. No word on whether the shirt is actually for sale.

6 Donald Glover

CELEBRITY The star of the Community series might have an action movie under his belt — if his fans have their way. In the tradition of the Betty White-SNL Facebook petition, a new page has popped up urging producers to cast Glover as Spider-Man in the newest incarnation of the web-slinger series.

7 The Boreal Gourmet

FOOD Canada's north is being celebrated in this new book by Michele Genest, who has creatively adapted Yukon recipes into gourmet creations. Her creations include an Elk Liver Pate, Smoked Fish Mousse, and Grilled Moose Steaks.



Dolphin-hunt film The Cove showing nixed in Tokyo

FILM A movie theatre in Tokyo decided against showing the dolphin-hunt documentary The Cove after nationalist pressure and warnings of protests, the distributor said Thursday.

In recent months, activists have protested and screamed slogans outside the Tokyo office of the Japanese distributor, Unplugged, alleging that support for the film signals betrayal of Japanese pride.

Theater N Shibuya was scheduled to start showing the film June 26. Unplugged said the theatre changed its mind after getting deluged with angry telephone calls and being warned that screenings would be met with protests.

The American movie that won the Academy Award for documentary this year shows undercover footage of the dolphin hunt in a Japanese village and documents efforts by Ric O'Barry, a former trainer for the Flipper TV series, to stop the slaughter of dolphins for food.

Takeshi Kato of Unplugged said he remained determined to show the film, and talks will continue. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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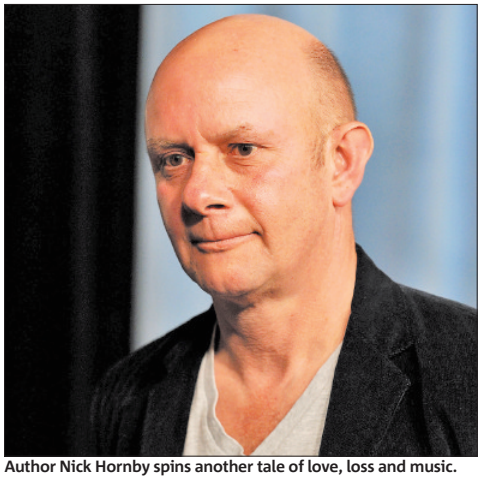
And the Tennessee state troopers along the new stretch will now be known as the Soul Patrol

Legendary soul musician Isaac Hayes may get a memorial stretch of highway in his home state of Tennessee. A measure to designate a section of Interstate 40 the "Isaac Hayes Memorial Highway" passed unanimously Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hornby faithful to rock 'n'roll roots

AURELIE SARROT
for Metro World

London author Nick Hornby has scored his sixth bestseller with his new novel Juliet Naked. The book revisits all the familiar Hornby themes of rock 'n' roll, love and obsession.



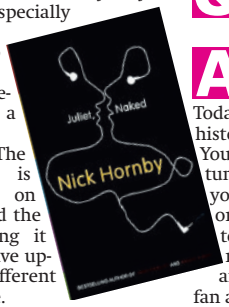
Author Nick Hornby spins another tale of love, loss and music.

Q Where did the idea for Juliet Naked come from?

A I read this interview of Sly Stone who hadn't spoken publicly for a long time and the excitement of the journalist, who was very likely a fan, was so obvious and palpable that I wanted to do something with it. Then I was fascinated with the way the Internet deals with the relation between artist and fan. Juliet Naked is a mix of all those things.

Q Does Juliet Naked hark back to High Fidelity?

A The character of Tucker Crowe wasn't meant to be a musician. He could have been a writer or a painter, but I think it's more interesting for everybody, and especially for me to have him being a musician. The book is based on art and the meaning it can have upon different people.



Q Has the music changed since High Fidelity?

A Of course, everything has changed since High Fidelity. Today is the best period in history for music lovers. You can have millions of tunes in your computer, you can discover genius on the web, you can listen to stuff that has never been released on an LP … what else can a fan ask for?

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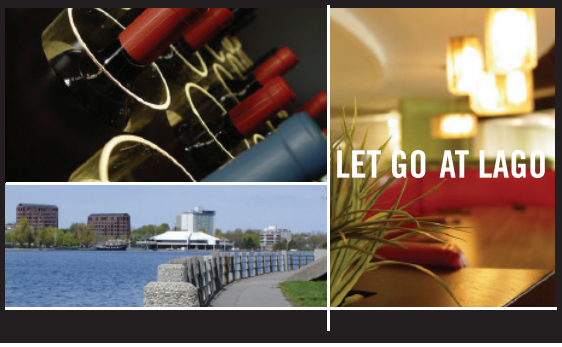

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Rush sends letter to Senate candidate

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(Music) girls gone wild

Latest provocative clips hitting the web are made by women

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

More than 70 million people have watched two of the world's biggest pop stars murder a restaurant full of people and slip into a sexy, synchronized dance routine amongst the dead bodies.

While Lady Gaga and Beyonce's nine-minute treatment for the song Telephone bears the rectangular red "explicit" tag on iTunes — where it sits comfortably as the No. 2 most purchased video — it is hardly the most shocking video to come out in the past few months. But what is perhaps more shocking than any of the actual clips in question is that they were all made by women.

In Christina Aguilera's video for Not Myself Tonight, which is No. 3 on the iTunes videos chart, she plays a cussing dominatrix, who covers her scantily clad body in what appears to be liquid leather and makes both the boys and girls go gaga, basically by going Gaga.

Other recent controversial videos by women include Erykah Badu's public assassination strip tease in Window Seat and M.I.A.'s epically violent Born Free, in which the government rounds up redheads and executes them.

Marketing strategist Rachel Weingarten worked with Aguilera at the dawn of her career, and says she is disappointed by how derivative of Madonna and Lady Gaga the singer's latest is. Weingarten also says these women are being controversial only to make money in a dying music industry.

"What they're trying to do is attract the audience that's actually still buying electronics and still buying any of these things, and that's the young guy demographic, sitting in front of the computer and drooling over the video and actually spending the $2," she says.

Weingarten might be onto something: All of these videos were directed by men. However, most of the women have spoken about their extensive involvement in the projects.

Videos are experiencing a comeback online right now with women — like M.I.A. (pictured) — behind some of the most controversial ones.

Badu, who was charged with disorderly conduct late last month after stripping in the spot where JFK was shot — she pleaded not guilty — says she thinks she was misunderstood.

"It's about freeing oneself of the layers and layers of things that we have learned as Americans in this country," she told MTV News.

Steve Waksman, professor of music and American studies at Smith College, seems heartened by the trend: "I think it's really interesting that you have a group of women who are all making very provocative statements," he says. "The Internet is allowing video to circulate, and is opening up some different avenues for both male and female artists, but I think it's interesting women are taking more advantage of it."

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What?! They allowed him to breed again after Waterworld?
Kevin Costner is a father for the seventh time. The actor's wife gave birth to a daughter on Wednesday, femalefirst.co.uk reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

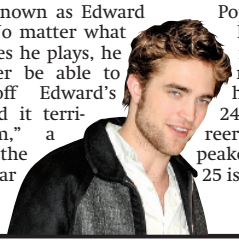
Elin wants to raise Tiger's cubs on her own: Source

STRAIGHT TO THE LION'S DEN In the impending divorce battle between Tiger Woods and Elin Nordegren, she is reportedly planning on going after full custody of their two children, according to Radar Online. Though speculation had been that they'd agree to joint custody, that has reportedly changed. "Elin isn't saying that she's moving to Sweden but she does want full custody now," a source says. "She has changed a lot since Tiger's cheating was discovered and since he returned to golf, she's distanced herself from him. It seems to have killed the small chance they had at reconciling."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Twilight star haunted by vampire typecasting

OH CRY ME A RIVER, EDWARD. IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE THAT POOR HARRY POTTER KID It may be a little late, but Robert Pattinson is worried that his Twilight success will hamper his future acting endeavors. "Robert is frightened to death that for the rest of his career he will be known as Edward Cullen. No matter what other roles he plays, he will never be able to shake off Edward's fangs and it terrifies him," a friend of the British star tells Popeater. "Of course, Rob loves the money that the role has made him, but he is only 24. To think your career has already peaked before you hit 25 is not a good thing."



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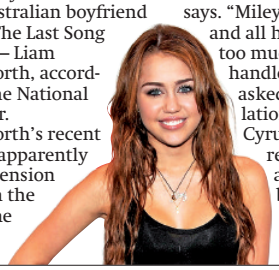
Cyrus and boyfriend on hiatus

ATTENTION ALL ASPIRING MALE ACTORS AND SINGERS: CASTING AT NOON It looks like trouble in paradise for Miley Cyrus, who is reportedly on the outs with Australian boyfriend — and The Last Song co-star — Liam Hemsworth, according to the National Enquirer. Hemsworth's recent success apparently caused tension between the two. "The result was a vicious fight — and Liam bolted. He said he's tired of her folks' interference and that Miley's jealous that his film career has taken off," a source says. "Miley, her family and all her baggage are too much for him to handle." When asked about the relationship herself, Cyrus reportedly responded, "We are on a break."



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Russell Brand's birthday wishes

PLEASE START WITH A BATH OF SOME KIND Russell Brand's birthday is coming up — but he doesn't want a thing. The comedian-actor, who turns 35 on Friday, says he's "got everything I need."

Brand stars in the film Get Him to the Greek, which opens Friday, and is engaged to pop singer Katy Perry. Brand's character is the lead singer of the fictional band Infant Sorrow, which performs on the film's soundtrack, also out this week.

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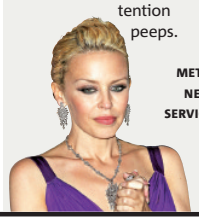
SPENCER PRATT needs a referral, **JOHN CLEESE** is picking sides, **LINDSAY LOHAN** is finally seeing herself clearly, and **KYLIE MINOGUE** is following the recent trend of debunking breakup rumours.

@spencerpratt Who is the best lawyer to sue a conglomerate? I need a heavy hitter we are going after major damages!
@JohnCleese I don't fancy Germany for the world cup
@lindsaylohan you should see my chipmunk cheeks from this wisdom teeth situation!
@kylieminogue Wowza... love life rumors have gone mad!!!! ....please pay no attention peeps.



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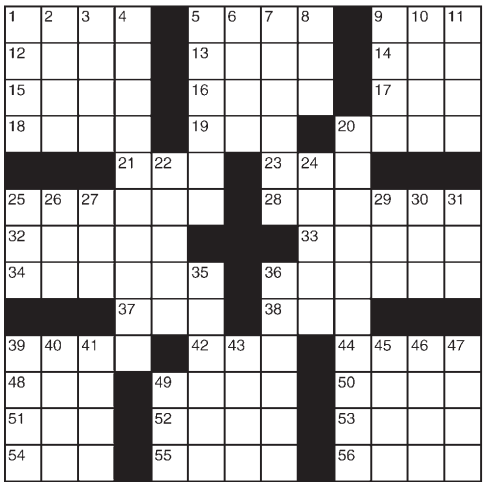

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

7			6		5			
1	9						7	6
	8			7		5		
	6		1	9				5
		1				9		
2				8	7		6	
		2		3			1	
8	1						4	3
			4		8			7

ACROSS

1 Hollywood clashers
5 Basilica area
9 English channel?
12 Energetic
13 "Buttons and —"
14 Author Buscaglia
15 Spiritual guide
16 Rhyming tributes
17 Foolhardiness personified
18 Dance lesson
19 — Today
20 Roe provider
21 Coffee break time
23 Late lunch hour
25 Raid
28 "Put a sock in it!"
32 Prompter's job
33 Phantom's bailiwick
34 Surround
36 Senior members
37 — Aviv
38 Boom times
39 Big fish story?
42 Lummox
44 In the thick of
48 Work with
49 "Carmina Burana" composer
50 Earring site
51 Tall tale
52 Take on
53 Squared
54 Talk on and on
55 Bloodhound's clue
56 Alluring

DOWN

1 Early birds?
2 Toe woe
3 Shrek is one
4 The gamut
5 Teem
6 Spacecraft compartments
7 Gym wear, maybe
8 Curvaceous character?
9 Mediocre
10 First Greek consonant
11 Like many dorms nowadays
20 Pie-in-the-face comic
22 American emblem
24 Jubilant yell
25 Venue for Capades
26 Sister
27 18-wheeler
29 Links prop
30 Keats subject
31 — de deux
35 Ruddy
36 Incompetent golfer
39 Calendar page
40 Largest of the seven
41 Cry
43 Frizzy 'do
45 Relocate
46 Mountain goat
47 Say it isn't so
49 Discoverer's cry

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

5	7	6	8	2	9	1	4	3
4	2	9	3	6	1	5	7	8
1	8	3	5	7	4	6	2	9
9	5	4	7	8	2	3	1	6
6	1	7	9	4	3	2	8	5
2	3	8	1	5	6	4	9	7
3	9	5	2	1	7	8	6	4
7	6	1	4	3	8	9	5	2
8	4	2	6	9	5	7	3	1

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Metro Recipe of the Day

East Coast Kedgeree

INGREDIENTS:

1/2 cup long-grain white rice
500 g smoked haddock or cod fillets
2 bay leaves
4 whole black peppercorns
1 tbsp butter
1 onion, chopped
1 tsp curry powder
1/4 tsp cayenne pepper
2 hard-boiled large eggs, sieved
2 tbsp minced parsley

METHOD:

1. In medium pot, cook rice according to package directions, omitting salt.

2. Meanwhile, in large skillet, place fish in single layer. Cover with cold water. Add bay leaves and peppercorns. Bring to boil. Simmer, covered, 8 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with fork. Drain fish; discard cooking liquid and seasonings. Cool fish slightly. Remove and discard skin and bones. Use fork to flake fish. Set aside.

3. In same skillet, melt butter over moderate heat. Add onion and cook 5 minutes or until tender. Stir in curry powder and cayenne pepper. Cook, stirring 1 minute. Stir in cooked rice and half of sieved egg. Add fish; combine. Heat through, stirring constantly. To serve, sprinkle with remaining sieved egg and parsley.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
The more time you spend thinking about doing something the more excuses you will find to put off doing it.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
It is never too late to tell someone that you love them, so what are you waiting for? Like you they are looking for an opportunity to kiss and make up.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
If there is something you feel you have to do as a matter of duty but don't really want to make the effort then it is hardly likely to be a resounding success.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You will get the chance to go back and finish something you should have completed weeks, months, maybe even years ago. Don't wait any longer — do it..

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
There is nothing more you can do to influence a situation to do with your work or your family life. You have said your piece and now it is out of your hands.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Don't create work for yourself. You have enough on your plate as it is without adding to your responsibilities.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You may feel that a partner or colleague is behaving unreasonably but why do they act that way? Have you given it any thought? Maybe you should.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You need to let rivals and competitors know that you mean business, but not in a way that antagonizes them.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
With so many good things going on in your life you may feel that you can do as you please. To an extent that is true but don't take too much for granted.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Why do you feel that you need to escape from your current situation? It may not be perfect but it's not as bad as you seem to think it is.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
There is no reason why you should just stand there and take the criticisms that certain people are throwing in your direction.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
A giant burden has been lifted from your shoulders and now you feel so light that you believe you could fly!

This day in history

1584 – Sir Walter Raleigh establishes the first English colony on Roanoke Island, old Virginia (now North Carolina).
1792: Captain George Vancouver claims Puget Sound for the Kingdom of Great Britain.
1876: An express train called the Transcontinental Express arrives in San Francisco, California, via the First Transcontinental Railroad only 83 hours and 39 minutes after leaving New York City.
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